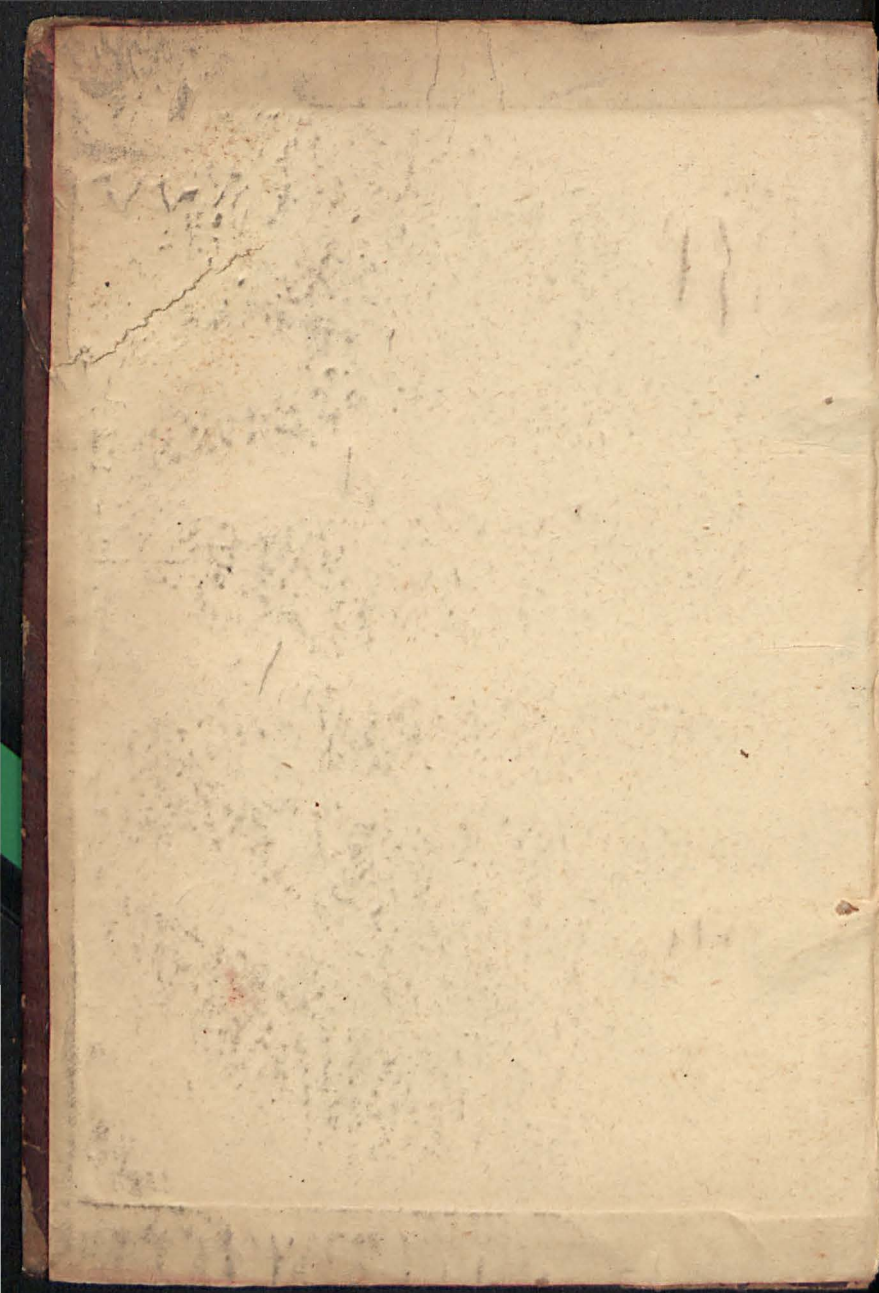
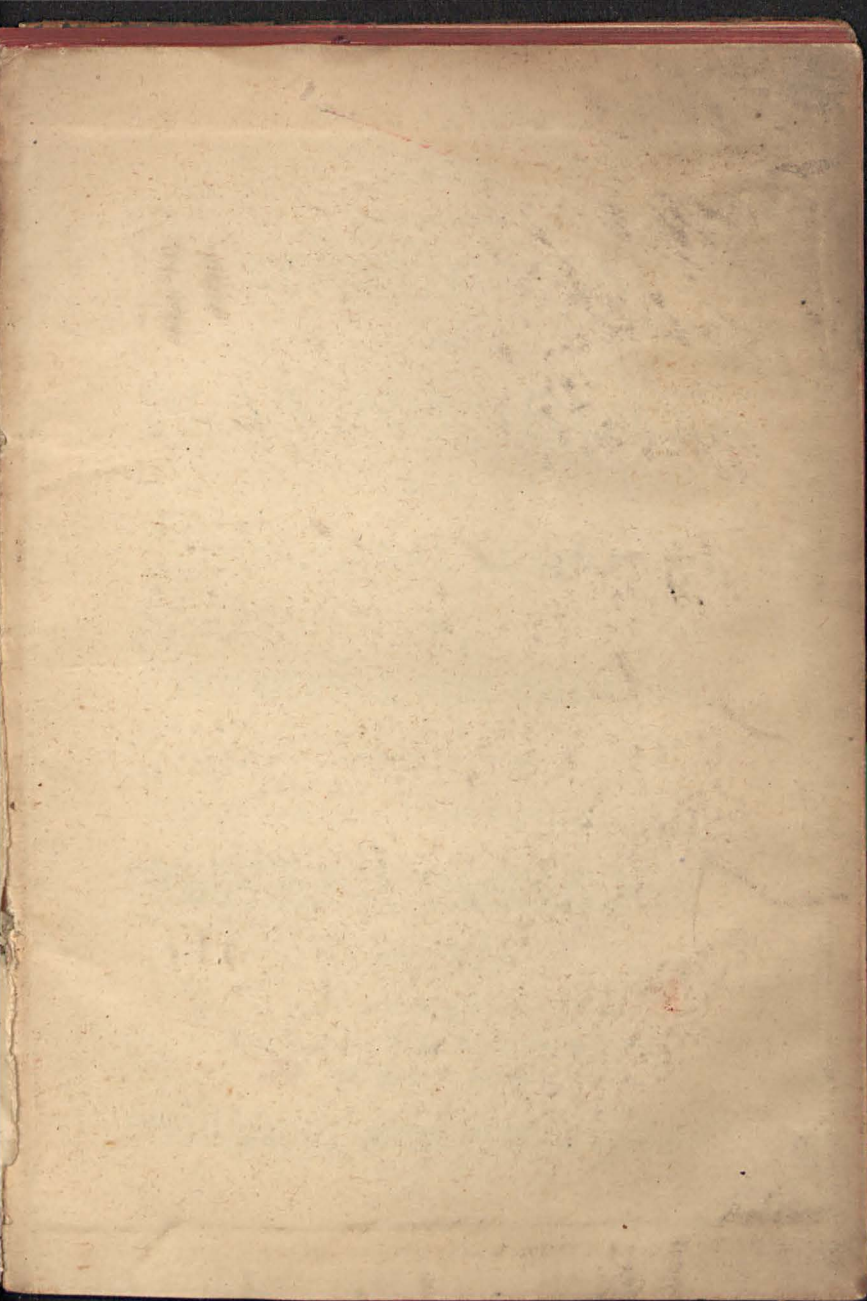


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CONSTITUTION

—OF THE—

NATIONAL LEAGUE

—OF—

PROFESSIONAL BASE BALL CLUBS,

1882.

NAME.

SECTION 1. This Association shall be called
"THE NATIONAL LEAGUE OF PROFESSIONAL
BASE BALL CLUBS."

OBJECTS.

SECTION 2. The objects of this League are:

1st. To encourage, foster, and elevate the game of base ball; to enact and enforce proper rules for the exhibition and conduct of the game, and to make base ball playing respectable and honorable.

2d. To protect and promote the mutual interests of professional base ball clubs and professional base ball players, and,

3d. To establish and regulate the base ball championship of the United States.

MEMBERSHIP.

SECTION 3. This League shall consist of the following named professional base ball clubs :

Boston B. B. Association, of Boston, Mass.

Buffalo B. B. Association, of Buffalo, N. Y.

Chicago Ball Club, of Chicago, Ill.

Detroit B. B. Club, of Detroit, Mich.

Cleveland B. B. Club, of Cleveland, Ohio.

Providence B. B. Association, of Providence, R. I.

Troy B. B. Association, of Troy, N. Y.

Worcester B. B. Club, of Worcester, Mass.

And such other professional base ball clubs as may from time to time be elected to membership.

SEC. 4. No club shall be admitted from either of the cities above named, other than the clubs mentioned, except in the event that either of such clubs shall lose its membership, and in no event shall there be more than one club from any city.

SEC. 5. No club shall be admitted from any city whose population is less than seventy-five thousand (75,000), except by unanimous vote of the League.

SEC. 6. No club shall be admitted unless it shall first have delivered to the Secretary of the League, at least five days before the annual meeting, a written application for membership, signed by its President and Secretary, accompanied by documents showing that such club bears the name of the city in which it is located, and that it is regularly organized and officered, and, where the State law permits it, chartered. Such application

shall at once be transmitted by the Secretary to the President of the League, who shall forthwith refer it to a committee of three members of the Board of Directors, appointed by him, who shall immediately investigate and report upon said application; said report to be communicated to the League through the Secretary.

SEC. 7. The voting upon an application for membership shall be by white and black balls. Two black balls shall be sufficient to exclude the applicant, and no club shall be required, under any circumstances, to state how it voted upon such application. Such election shall take place at the annual meeting of the League: *Provided*, That should any eligible club desire to join the League after the adjournment of the annual meeting, and before March 1 following, it may make application in writing to the Secretary of the League, who shall at once communicate such application, together with any facts in his possession concerning such applicant, to the President of the League, who shall refer it to a special committee of the Board, as provided in Section 6; and upon receipt by the Secretary of the report of said committee, he shall transmit such application and report to all League clubs, each of whom shall, within ten days, transmit one written ballot, for or against the admission of such applicant, to the Secretary; and if two adverse ballots be not cast, then the Secretary shall, upon receipt of the annual dues, notify such club of its election.

SEC. 8. In case any League club shall forfeit its membership during the championship season, the Board of Directors shall elect a club member of the League Alliance to temporary membership in the League, which election shall entitle such temporary club member, without the payment of League club dues, to play all the championship schedule games remaining unplayed by the retired League club, upon the same terms and conditions as League clubs, except that such games shall not count in the championship series, and such temporary membership shall terminate with the expiration of the championship season.

SEC. 9. The umpires, managers and players employed by the clubs belonging to this League shall be considered and treated as members hereof to the extent of being always amenable to the provisions of this Constitution, and entitled to all its privileges in matters of dispute, grievance or discipline, as provided in this Constitution.

SEC. 10. The clubs and players of the League Alliance are hereby declared to be honorary members of this League.

SEC. 11. The membership of any League club shall be forfeited:

1. By voluntary withdrawal.
2. By disbandment.
3. By offering, agreeing, conspiring, or attempting to lose any game of ball, or failing to immediately expel any player who shall be proven guilty of offering, agreeing, conspiring or at-

tempting to lose any game of ball, or of being interested in any pool or wager thereon.

4. By taking part in any game of ball on Sunday, or allowing any game of ball to be played upon its grounds on Sunday, or failing to immediately expel any person under contract with it who shall, at any time during the term of his service, take part as umpire, player, or scorer, in any game of ball on Sunday.

5. By selling, or allowing to be sold, upon its grounds, or in any building owned or occupied by it, at any time during the championship season, any spirituous, vinous, or malt-liquors.

6. By allowing open betting, or pool selling, upon its grounds, or in any building owned or occupied by it.

7. By employing or presenting as umpire, manager or player, any person disqualified or ineligible under any provision of this Constitution.

8. By playing any game of ball with any club that is disqualified or ineligible under any provision of this Constitution.

9. By failing to present its nine at the time and place agreed upon to play any championship game, unless the failure be caused by an unavoidable accident in traveling.

10. By failing to pay to the visiting club the amount due such club under the provisions of Section 73 of this Constitution.

11. By failing to pay its annual dues on or before the first day of May of each year.

12. By failing or refusing to comply with any lawful requirement or order of the Board of Directors.

13. By willfully violating any provision of this Constitution, or of the Playing Rules adopted hereunder.

SEC. 12. The honorary membership of any League Alliance club shall be forfeited :

1. By voluntary withdrawal.
2. By joining any other association of clubs.
3. By disbandment.
4. By failing to pay its annual dues.
5. By failing to pay to the League club the amount due* such club under the provisions of Section 57 of this Constitution.

6. By any violation of any of the provisions of this Constitution concerning the League Alliance.

SEC. 13. The membership of any umpire, manager or player of this League, or of the League Alliance, shall be forfeited upon the disqualification of such umpire, manager or player, under any of the provisions of this Constitution.

SEC. 14. To carry into effect the provisions of Sections 11, 12 and 13 of this Constitution, the facts in any case covered by such sections must be reported to the Secretary of the League, who shall at once telegraph the party charged with the specified offense, inquiring whether any dispute exists as to the facts alleged. In case the facts are disputed, the Board shall at once try the case under such regulations as they may prescribe, and submit their findings to each League club,

which shall transmit to the Secretary written ballots, "For Expulsion," or "Against Expulsion;" and if two-thirds of all League clubs vote "For Expulsion," the Secretary shall notify all League and League Alliance clubs of the forfeiture of membership of the party charged; and every club shall, on and after the receipt of such notice, govern its intercourse with such expelled member by the prohibitions and penalties prescribed by this Constitution. *Provided* (1), in all cases where the facts do not admit of dispute (as in case of non-payment of dues), or where no reply to the Secretary's dispatch to the party charged with the offense is received by him within twenty-four hours, or where the facts are not disputed, the Secretary shall forthwith issue his notice of forfeiture of membership without submitting the matter to the Board or to the League. (2) In all cases where the League Alliance alone is concerned, the vote of League Alliance, instead League clubs, shall be obtained.

SEC. 15. Any club, umpire, manager or player, having forfeited membership, shall not be readmitted, except by unanimous vote of the League.

SEC. 16. A list shall be kept by the Secretary of the names of any persons who may be declared, by an affirmative vote of five League clubs, at any regular or special meeting, to be unworthy of service in the League, as umpire, manager, or player, and any person so named shall be disqualified for employment by, or service in, any League club, until his name be removed from such

list by unanimous vote of all League clubs at a regular or special meeting. (See paragraphs 4, 7 and 12 of League contract.) The Secretary shall immediately notify all League and League Alliance clubs of any name placed upon or removed from such list of disqualified persons.

DUES.

SECTION 17. Every League club shall pay to the Secretary of the League, on or before the first day of May of each year, the sum of One Hundred Dollars, as annual dues.

SEC. 18. Every League Alliance club shall pay to the Secretary of the League, as annual dues for the current year, on joining the League Alliance, and thereafter yearly, on or before the first day of May, the sum of twenty-five dollars.

OFFICERS.

SECTION 19. At its annual meeting, the League shall elect a President by ballot. The President shall be *ex-officio* chairman of the Board of Directors. He shall preside at all the meetings of the League, and shall call special meetings of the League when he may deem it necessary, or when thereto requested by half of the clubs of the League.

SEC. 20. The affairs of this League shall be conducted and controlled by five Directors, who shall constitute "The Board," and who shall consist of the President and four members, to be chosen at the annual meeting, in the following manner : The name of each club, except that of

which the President is a member, shall be plainly written upon a card, in full view of the delegates present, by the Secretary ; the cards to be of the same size, shape, color and material. The cards shall then be placed in some suitable receptacle and well shaken together ; thereupon four of these cards shall be drawn successively, and at random, and one delegate from each of the four clubs whose names are so drawn, shall, with the President, compose the Board, and if any club whose name is thus drawn be represented by two delegates, such delegates shall name one of their number to be a member of the Board: *Provided*, that at any time after the adjournment of the annual League meeting, any League club represented in the Board may substitute another representative ; such substitution to be attested by written notice to the Secretary, signed by the President of the League club, and, upon the receipt of such notice by the Secretary, such substitution shall take effect, and the Secretary shall thereupon notify all League and League Alliance clubs.

SEC. 21. No person shall be qualified to act as Director, who is not an actual member of the club he represents ; nor shall any club, under any circumstances, be represented by more than one person on the Board.

SEC. 22. The Board shall have the general supervision and management of all the affairs and business of the League, and shall be individually answerable to the League for the faithful discharge of their trust.

SEC. 23. The Board shall meet annually on the evening of the first Tuesday in December, at the place where the annual meeting of the League is to be held, but may hold special meetings whenever urgent necessity may require.

SEC. 24. The Board shall prepare a detailed report of all their doings, and present the same, in writing, to the League, at its annual meeting, which report shall, if accepted, be filed with the Secretary, together with all official papers, documents and property which may have come into their possession by virtue of their office.

SEC. 25. Any Director who shall disclose or publish any of the proceedings of the Board, except officially through the report of the Board, or when called upon by vote of the League, shall forfeit his office.

SEC. 26. In case of a vacancy in the Board by reason of the death, resignation, absence, or disqualification of any Director, the club of which he was a member at the time he was chosen shall designate his successor, and at once notify the Secretary. But if such vacancy is caused by the withdrawal, disbanding or disqualification of a club represented on the Board, the Board may fill the vacancy by election in the same manner as provided for the election of Directors in Section 20.

SEC. 27. The Board shall elect a gentleman of intelligence, honesty and good repute, who is versed in base ball matters, but who is not in any manner connected with the press, and who is not a member of any professional base ball club,

either in or out of the League, to be the Secretary of the Board and of the League.

SEC. 28. The Secretary shall be the Treasurer of the League, and as such shall be the custodian of all funds of the League, receive all dues, fees and assessments, make such payments as shall be ordered by the Board, or by vote of the League, and render annually a report of his accounts.

SEC. 29. The Secretary shall have the custody and care of the official records and papers of the League; shall keep a true record of all meetings of the League and the Board, shall issue all official notices and attend to the necessary correspondence; he shall prepare and furnish such reports as may be called for by the Board, and shall be entitled to such books, stationery, blanks and materials as the actual duties of his office may require.

SEC. 30. The Secretary shall keep a record of all infractions of the rules and regulations of the League that may come to his notice, and shall (except in cases covered by Sections 14 and 16) make a report on the same to the President, who shall present it to the Board at its next meeting.

SEC. 31. The Secretary shall receive such salary as the Board, by vote, shall determine, and shall be reimbursed for all traveling expenses actually incurred by him in the service of the League; and the Board may exact from him such guaranties for the faithful performance of his duties as they may deem for the interest and

safety of the League. At the expiration of his term of office, he shall account for and deliver up to the Board all the property and papers which may have come into his hands by virtue of his office.

LEAGUE CLUBS, UMPIRES, MANAGERS AND PLAYERS.

SECTION 32. Each club belonging to this League shall have the right to regulate its own affairs, to make its own contracts, to establish its own rules, and to discipline, punish, suspend or expel its own manager, players or other employes, and these powers shall not be limited to cases of dishonest play or open insubordination, but shall include all questions of carelessness, indifference, or other conduct of the player that may be regarded by the club as prejudicial to its interests: *Provided*, That all club regulations must be made subordinate to and in conformity with the general regulations established by this League, and no club shall prescribe any rule or regulation in conflict with any provision of this Constitution or the Playing Rules. (See, also, League contract.)

SEC. 33. Every club member of this League shall have exclusive control of the city in which it is located, and of the territory surrounding such city, to the extent of four miles in every direction from its corporate limits, and no visiting League club shall, under any circumstances—not even with the consent of the local League club, until all League championship games on that

ground shall have been finished, be allowed to play any club in such territory other than the League club therein located.

SEC. 34. Any agreement between a club and a manager or player for services by the manager or player, and compensation therefor by the club, must be executed in the form of contract adopted by the League (see League contract), and the Secretary of the League shall, upon application, furnish each League club a suitable supply of the printed forms of contract adopted by the League, and no player not under such contract shall be eligible to play in a League game, except that in case a player shall meet with an accident, or be expelled by his club, any player who is not otherwise disqualified, under the provisions of this Constitution, may take the place of such expelled or injured player; but such player shall not be eligible to play for more than five championship games in the nine of such club, without the contract and notice thereof required by this Section and Section 35.

SEC. 35. It shall be the duty of a club, as soon as it shall have entered into a contract with a manager or player, to transmit said contract to the Secretary of the League. If the Secretary shall find the contract to be in the form adopted by the League, he shall indorse upon it his certificate to that effect, together with the date of its receipt by him, and at once return it to the contracting club. The Secretary shall also enter upon his records the names of the contracting club, and manager or player, and immediately notify all

other League clubs of such contract. In no case shall the Secretary give such certificate, or give notice of such contract, unless it comply, in all respects, with the form of contract adopted by the League, and no contract shall be regarded as valid or binding until it bears the Secretary's certificate as herein provided.

SEC. 36. Whenever a club releases a manager or player without notice, or gives him twenty days' notice of release, in accordance with paragraphs 15 or 20 of the League contract, and whenever it suspends or expels a manager or player, that club shall at once notify the Secretary, stating, in case of release, the date when the same takes effect, and in case of suspension or expulsion, the cause thereof, and the Secretary shall at once notify all other clubs of the League and League Alliance.

SEC. 37. A manager or player who has been released from his contract, without suspension or expulsion, may engage with any other club, twenty days from the date of the reception by the Secretary of the notice of such release. A player released under paragraph 15 of the League contract, shall not be eligible to play in the nine of the club releasing him, during the said twenty days, but he may do so if released under paragraph 20 of the League contract.

SEC. 38. A manager or player whose contract has become void by reason of his club's disbanding, withdrawing from or losing its membership in the League, may immediately engage for the

remainder of the season with any other League club.

SEC. 39. No manager or player who has been suspended or expelled from a League club, or suspended by the League under the provisions of Section 16 of this Constitution, shall, at any time thereafter, be allowed to play with or serve any League club (either the one expelling him or any other) unless the term of suspension by the club has expired, or upon his appeal to the Board, such suspension or expulsion shall have been set aside, or, in any case under Section 16, his name shall have been removed from the list by unanimous vote of the League, as provided in said section.

SEC. 40. No club shall employ as umpire, manager, scorer, or player, any person who has willfully violated any provision of this Constitution, or of the Playing Rules, or who has been expelled from any club belonging to this League, or who shall be disqualified from playing with a club under any provision of this Constitution.

SEC. 41. No game of ball shall be played between a League club and any other club that has forfeited its membership in this League. No game of ball shall be played between a League club and any other club employing or presenting in its nine a player expelled, or under suspension, from the League. Nor shall any League club play any club that has, at any time during the same playing season, played a game of ball with any other club employing or presenting in its nine any player expelled or suspended from the

League: *Provided*, That in case the club employing such expelled or suspended League player shall discharge such player from its service, League clubs may thereafter play against such club, and against other clubs that may have played such club while employing such player.

SEC. 42. Any manager or player who may consider himself aggrieved or injured by any act of his club, or of any officer, agent or employe thereof, shall make his complaint thereof to the President of the club when the club " nine " is at home. Any manager or player, under contract with a League club, who shall, without the written consent of such club, leave its service, or who shall be proven guilty of offering, agreeing, conspiring, or attempting to lose any game of ball, or of being interested in any pool or wager thereon, shall be at once expelled by such club.

SEC. 43. Any manager or player, under contract with a League club, whose name shall be placed upon the list of disqualified persons provided for in Section 16 of this Constitution, in the manner therein provided, shall, immediately upon receipt by such club of the Secretary's notice of such action, be discharged by such club from its service. (See paragraphs 4, 7 and 12 of the League contract.)

SEC. 44. Any person under contract with a League club, who shall be guilty of drunkenness, gambling in any form, insubordination, or of any dishonorable or disreputable conduct (except the offenses requiring expulsion, specified in Section 42) may be suspended by such club for the re-

mainder of the playing season, or for the remainder of that and all of the ensuing playing season, at the option of such club ; and during the period of said suspension, such player shall be disqualified from playing in or against any League club : *Provided*, That the club having made the suspension shall not have power to rescind it, or to curtail its duration. (See paragraph 6, League contract.)

SEC. 45. Any person who shall be proven guilty of offering, agreeing, conspiring or attempting to cause any game of ball to result otherwise than on its merits under the Playing Rules, or who, while acting as umpire, shall willfully violate any provision of the Constitution, or of the Playing Rules adopted hereunder, shall be forever disqualified from acting as umpire of any game of ball participated in by a League club.

THE LEAGUE ALLIANCE.

SECTION 46. Clubs whose organization and conduct are not inconsistent with the objects of this League, as expressed in Section 2 of this Constitution, and who are also eligible under the following provisions, and who shall have filed with the Secretary of the League a written application for membership, containing an engagement to comply with the terms of the following agreement, as published in the League Book, and with all other regulations of the League relating to the League Alliance, shall be recognized as constituting "The League Alliance," *Provided* (1), That not more than one club shall be admitted

to the League Alliance from any city; (2) That not more than two adverse votes be given on the application for membership. Every League and League Alliance club shall have one vote upon the application for membership, and the Secretary of the League shall obtain the vote immediately upon receipt of the application; (3) That the annual dues specified in Section 18 of this Constitution, be paid to the League Secretary on receipt of his notice of election to membership.

SEC. 47. FORM OF "LEAGUE ALLIANCE" AGREEMENT.
It is hereby agreed by the parties hereto, as follows:

1. No club that is a party hereto shall employ or play in its nine any player to whose services any other club that is a party hereto, may be entitled by contract.

2. Any player under contract with any club that is a party hereto, who shall, without the written consent of such club, leave its service, or fail to perform his contract, or who shall be proven guilty of disreputable conduct, shall be at once expelled by such club.

3. No club that is a party hereto shall play any game of ball with any base ball club whatever, that shall employ or present in its nine any player that shall have been expelled from any club that is a party hereto, for breach of contract or disreputable conduct.

4. Each club that is a party hereto shall, upon making a contract with a player, *immediately* notify the Secretary of the National League of Professional Base Ball Clubs, such notice to be in writing, signed by the contracting club and the player, and, *in the absence of such notice to such officer, any player shall be deemed to be free from contract obligation.*

5. Each club that is a party hereto shall, *upon expelling a player from membership, or releasing him from contract*, notify the Secretary of the National League of Professional Base Ball Clubs, and in the absence of such notice to such officer, such player shall be deemed to be a member in good standing of the club whose notice of contract with such player had previously been transmitted to such officer, until the expiration of the term of such contract.

6. All games played by the clubs that are parties hereto, shall be played in accordance with the Playing Rules of the National League.

7. All disputes that may arise between the clubs that are parties hereto, shall be submitted to the Board of Directors of the National League, for adjudication in the manner provided for by Section 49 of its Constitution, and the finding of such tribunal shall be final and binding upon the clubs that are parties hereto.

8. This agreement shall go into effect and be binding upon each club upon receipt of the Secretary's notice of its election to membership in the League Alliance.

SEC. 48. The Secretary shall immediately notify all League and League Alliance clubs, upon receipt of any of the notices specified in the fourth and fifth clauses of the League Alliance agreement, and shall perform such other duties as may devolve upon him in furtherance of the provisions of said agreement.

SEC. 49. The Board shall, if thereunto requested by League Alliance clubs, adjudicate disputes in the manner provided in Sections 59, 60, 61, 62 and 63, so far as the provisions of such Sections may be applicable thereto: *Provided*, That all communications must be addressed to the Secretary of the League.

SEC. 50. No League Club shall employ or play in its nine any player to whose services any League Alliance Club is entitled by contract evidenced by written notice to the Secretary, signed by the contracting club and the player; nor any player expelled by a League Alliance club for breach of contract or other disreputable conduct.

SEC. 51. No League Alliance club shall employ or play in its nine any player to whose services any League club is entitled by contract evidenced by written notice to the Secretary, nor any player expelled or under suspension from the League.

SEC. 52. The League shall, at its annual meeting, receive and consider any communication from a club or clubs of the League Alliance, on matters affecting the interests of such club or clubs, and shall give a hearing to any delegation or delegations therefrom. And two delegates from each League Alliance club shall have the right to be present at the annual meeting of the League.

SEC. 53. The Secretary shall receive and place on file the score of any game played between two League Alliance Clubs that may be forwarded to him, bearing the certificate of the umpire of such game, and stating the names of each club, the number of runs made by each, and number of innings played, and at the close of the season the Secretary shall prepare a tabular statement of such games, according to the statement so sent him (which statement shall be the sole evidence in the matter), and submit the same, with the statements so sent him, to the Board, who shall award the League Alliance championship to the club which shall have won the greatest number of such games. The Board shall make the award in writing, and report the same to the League at its annual meeting, and the League shall, thereupon, present such club with a suitable emblem of such championship.

SEC. 54. No game shall be played between any League club and non-League club in any city in which a League Alliance club is located, except with such League Alliance club.

SEC. 55. In all games between League and League Alliance clubs, the visiting club shall be accorded the right to take, by its agents, all tickets of admission, and to have sole control of all gates, which shall be not more than two in number, and, where self-registering turnstiles are not used, shall not be more than two and one-third feet in width of passage-way, except that one carriage gate shall also be allowed, to be also under the sole control of the visiting club.

SEC. 56. In agreements for divisions of receipts from games between League and League Alliance clubs, "Gross receipts" shall mean all receipts from sale of admission and grand stand tickets, and for admission to the grounds, to grand stands, and to any other special privileges of the grounds. "Gate receipts" shall mean all receipts from sale of admission tickets and for admission to the grounds, but shall not include extra fees for admission to grand stands or other special privileges of the grounds.

SEC. 57. The League Alliance club shall pay the League club for each game actually played, and immediately upon the termination of such game, the sum of one hundred dollars, or one-half the Gross receipts or Gate receipts, as may be previously agreed upon; and the League Alliance club shall pay the League club fifty dollars in every case where a League club shall present its nine in the city or town of such League Alliance club, prepared to play at the time appointed for such game, and the game be prevented by rain, or by any cause other than the refusal by

such League club to play such game. In the event of the refusal or failure of any League Alliance club to pay the sum or sums due as herein stipulated, the League club shall at once telegraph such fact to the Secretary of the League, who shall forthwith notify all other League clubs by telegraph, and no League club shall thereafter play such defaulting club until the full amount due be paid the League club, which League club shall, in case of such payment, notify the Secretary, and he the other League clubs, by telegraph.

SEC. 58. No club that has forfeited its membership in the League, or that is connected with any organization of clubs other than the League or League Alliance, or that presents in its nine any player expelled from the League or League Alliance, shall be entitled to the benefits of these regulations, and the Secretary shall notify all League and League Alliance clubs of any forfeiture of such benefits that may be incurred by the violation of any provision of these regulations.

DISPUTES AND COMPLAINTS.

SECTION 59. The Board of Directors shall be the sole tribunal to determine disputes between clubs; the facts to be submitted, and the dispute adjudicated under such regulations as the Board shall prescribe in each case. The finding of the Board shall be final, and under no circumstances shall be reconsidered, reopened, or inquired into, either by the League or any subsequent Board.

SEC. 60. The Board shall at once consider any complaint preferred by a club against a manager or player of another club for conduct in violation of any provision of this Constitution, or prejudicial to the good repute of the game of base ball, and shall have power to require the club to which such player may belong to discipline him, and, upon repetition of such offense, to expel him: *Provided*, That such complaint be preferred in writing, giving such particulars as may enable the Board to ascertain all the facts, and be transmitted to the Secretary, by whom it shall at once be referred to the Board.

SEC. 61. The Board shall also be the sole tribunal for the hearing of an appeal made by any person who shall have been expelled or suspended by his club, or for an alleged breach of contract. The matter shall be proceeded with in the following manner: Such person shall, within thirty days after the date of the expulsion, suspension, or alleged breach of contract, file with the Secretary a written statement of his defense, accompanied by a request that an appeal be allowed him. The Secretary shall notify the club of the request for an appeal, accompanying such notice with a copy of the appeal, and, at the next annual meeting, the club, by its duly authorized representative, and the appellant in person, by attorney, or by written statement, shall appear before the Board with their testimony. The Board shall impartially hear the matter and render their decision, which shall be *final* and forever binding on both club and player.

SEC. 62. No director shall sit in the trial of a cause in which his club is interested.

SEC. 63. Any expenses of trials or arbitrations shall be borne equally by the parties to the controversy.

PLAYING RULES.

SECTION 64. The League, at its first meeting, shall adopt a code of Playing Rules, which shall continue in force, subject only to such alterations or amendments as may be made at subsequent annual meetings of the League.

CHAMPIONSHIP.

SECTION 65. The *Championship of the United States*, established by this League, shall be contended for yearly by the clubs composing this League.

SEC. 66. The *championship season* shall extend from the first day of May to (and including) the first day of October, and no game shall count in the championship series unless played during the championship season: *Provided*, That if the first day of May occurs on Sunday, the championship season shall begin April 30th; and if the first day of October occurs on Sunday, the championship season shall end October 2d.

SEC. 67. Every game played between two clubs from the commencement of the championship season to the completion of the championship series between such clubs, shall be a game for the championship, and no League club shall

lend or exchange players, to or with each other, for any game played during the championship season.

SEC. 68. Each club shall play the following number of championship games (and no more) with every other club. If six clubs be members of the League on the first day of the championship season, sixteen games; if eight clubs, twelve games: *provided, however*, that if any game be prevented by rain, or if a tie or drawn game be played, the visiting club shall play off such tie or drawn game, or game prevented by rain, on the first succeeding day (not counting Sundays, days previously agreed upon for championship games between said clubs, or days when rain renders playing impossible), within the dates of the same schedule series between such clubs, if any remain open; and if not, such game shall be played off within the dates of the next schedule series between such clubs, *on the same grounds*, if there be another schedule series between such clubs due on those grounds, and if not, the said game *may* be played off, *on the same grounds*, by agreement of both clubs, at any time after the conclusion of all championship series between such and all other League clubs, and before the expiration of the championship season, but not otherwise.

SEC. 69. Each club shall be entitled to have half of the championship series of games with every other club played on its own grounds; and in all the details of such games that do not involve the rights of the visiting club under the Playing

Rules, but relate solely to such games as attractive exhibitions to the patrons of the home club, the visiting club shall defer to the wishes of the home club; and the visiting club shall furnish to a person designated by the home club the batting order of its nine by 9 o'clock on the morning of the day of each game.

SEC. 70. All championship games shall be arranged for in writing, and so as to complete the championship series by the expiration of the championship season. Such written arrangement shall be made by such method as the League shall direct, before the beginning of the championship season, and shall consist of a schedule and agreement relating thereto, which agreement shall be signed by every League club, and the schedule and agreement filed with the Secretary of the League, and a copy thereof, bearing his certificate as to its correctness, furnished by the Secretary to every League club. The schedule shall provide for an equal number of return games, and specify the date of each game, and the dates of each series of games. No date in said schedule shall subsequently be changed, except (1) by written agreement of two clubs, from a date fixed by the schedule for a game between such clubs, to another day within the dates of the same schedule series between such clubs; or (2) as provided in Section 68; or (3) by the written consent of all the League clubs.

SEC. 71. The price of admission to championship games shall be fifty cents for each adult person, and no money or tickets paid for admission

shall be refunded in any case in which the game is prevented or interrupted by rain.

SEC. 72. In correspondence between clubs, all letters and telegrams concerning umpires, dates, and other matters pertaining to championship games, to a club at home, must be addressed to and answered by its President, or by an officer of such club designated by its President to act for him in such matters, the Secretary of the League to be notified of such designation. If such communications be made by another club when at home, they must be addressed by and answered to its President or his representative as above provided; and if the corresponding club be absent from home, they must be addressed by and answered to its manager.

SEC. 73. At the conclusion of each championship game, the Home club shall deliver to the manager of the Visiting club (and shall transmit by mail to the Visiting club a duplicate of same) a statement of the receipts of said game, and shall pay to the authorized agent of such Visiting club the sum of fifteen (15) cents for each and every person admitted to the grounds to witness such game, or any part thereof, or admitted to the grounds for any other purpose during or prior to such game, or the hour appointed therefor, excepting only players of the contesting clubs and policemen in uniform.

The number of persons admitted to the grounds shall be determined by the use of the necessary number of self-registering turnstiles, the keys of

which shall be delivered to the agent of the Visiting club before the opening of the grounds for each game; and said agent of the Visiting club shall have the right to affix a seal to the register, or box, of such turnstile, and the box of such turnstile shall not be removed until after the close of the seventh inning; and in case a carriage gate is used, a ticket for each person admitted through such gate shall at once be delivered to the agent of the Visiting club.

To entitle the Visiting club to the payment herein specified, it shall be sufficient for the visiting club to present its nine upon the grounds at the hour appointed and prepared to play the game in the absence of rain.

SEC. 74. The visiting club shall pay the umpire of each championship game a fee of five dollars, and shall also pay all expenses incurred in securing the attendance of such umpire.

SEC. 75. No game shall be played between League clubs before the commencement of the championship series.

SEC. 76. No game shall be played between any League club and any non-League club, or picked nine, upon the grounds of any League club, from the commencement to the completion of the championship series upon such grounds; no game shall be arranged or played between any League and non-League clubs, or picked nines, for or upon any "off days" of the championship series, except as above provided, and upon the following express conditions:

1. If a League championship game be prevented by rain or unavoidable accident on the day (not counting Sunday) preceding the day agreed upon for such non-League or picked-nine game, then the latter shall be declared off, so as to allow the League clubs to play the championship game on that day.

2. All such games shall be played under the Playing Rules of the League, with a League ball to be furnished by the League club.

3. The non-League club (except League Alliance clubs) shall pay the League club, for each game actually played, and immediately upon the termination of such game, the sum of one hundred dollars, or one-half the gross receipts of such game, in case the gross receipts shall exceed two hundred dollars; and it is to be distinctly understood that the "gross receipts" include all revenue derived from the exhibition, whether taken at regular or carriage gates, or for admission to grounds, grand stands, or to other special privileges of the grounds; also, that the visiting club shall have sole control of all gates, and of all entrances to grand stands, or other special ground privileges for which extra fees are charged. And the non-League club shall pay the League club fifty dollars in every case where a League club shall present its nine in the city or town of such non-League club, prepared to play at the time appointed for such game, and the game be prevented by rain, or by any cause other than the refusal by such League club to play such game. In the event of the refusal or failure

of any non-League club to pay the sum, or sums, due, as herein stipulated, the League club shall at once telegraph such fact to the Secretary of the League, who shall forthwith notify all other League clubs by telegraph; and no League club shall thereafter play such defaulting club until the full amount due be paid the League club, which League club shall, in case of such payment, notify the Secretary, and he the other League clubs, by telegraph.

4. In any case not covered by the first condition specified in this section, a League club having agreed to play a non-League club upon the grounds of the latter, and failing to present its nine in the city or town of such non-League club, prepared to play at the time appointed for such game, the League club shall pay the non-League club the sum of fifty dollars as the penalty of such default.

SEC. 77. A club shall be entitled to forfeited games—to count in its series as games won by a score of nine runs to none—in cases where the umpire in any championship game shall award the game to such club on account of the violation by the contesting club of any playing rule of this League.

SEC. 78. Drawn, tie and postponed games shall not count in the series as games, but must be played off, if possible, as provided in Section 68. If they cannot be played off as therein provided, they may subsequently be played off, if sufficient time exist before the close of the season.

SEC. 79. The club which shall have won the greatest number of games in the championship series, shall be declared the champion club of the United States for the season in which such games were played. In the event that two or more clubs shall have won the same number of games, then the club which shall have lost the smallest number shall be declared the champion.

The emblem of the championship shall be a pennant (of the national colors), to cost not less than one hundred dollars (\$100). It shall be inscribed with the motto, "Champion Base Ball Club of the United States," with the name of the club and the year in which the title was won, and the champion club shall be entitled to fly the pennant until the close of the ensuing season.

SEC. 80. The championship shall be decided in the following manner :

Within twenty-four hours after every match game played for the championship, the home club shall prepare and forward to the Secretary of the League a statement containing the full score of the game, according to the system specified in the "Playing Rules," the date, place where played, and the names of the clubs and umpire : *Provided*, That no tie or drawn game shall be considered "a game" for any purpose, nor shall the score thereof be forwarded to the Secretary; and provided further, that in any case where the Secretary shall not receive the score of a championship game within five days after the playing of such game, the club whose duty it is

to forward such score shall pay to the League the sum of ten dollars as the penalty of such default.

At the close of the season, the Secretary shall prepare a tabular statement of the games won and lost by each club, according to the statements so sent him (which statements shall be the sole evidence in the matter), and submit the same, with the statements so sent him, to the Board, who shall make the award in writing, and report the same to the League at its annual meeting. In making the award the Board shall consider :

1. The tabular statement of the Secretary.
2. Forfeited games.
3. Games participated in by clubs which have withdrawn, disbanded or forfeited their membership without completing their championship series with all other League clubs ; such games shall be counted to the following extent : The Board shall ascertain the least number of championship games played by such club with any club remaining in the League, and shall, from the first games participated in during the championship season, by such retired club, count in the series of each League club a similar number of games, and all other games participated in by such retired club shall not be counted in the championship series : *Provided*, That if such retired club shall have failed to play at least one championship game with every League club, all games participated in by it shall be thrown out entirely.

ANNUAL MEETING.

SECTION 81. The annual meeting of the League shall be held on the first Wednesday after the first Tuesday in December of each year, at twelve o'clock noon, and at such place as shall be determined by vote at the previous annual meeting.

SEC. 82. At such meeting each club shall be entitled to two representatives, and to have, in addition thereto, any of its officers or ex-officers present at such meeting; but no club shall be permitted to send as a representative any person under contract or engagement as a ball player, and belonging to the nine of such club in said capacity; they shall present a certificate from the President or Secretary of their club, showing their authority to act; but no club shall have more than one vote.

SEC. 83. A representation of a majority of clubs shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, but a less number may adjourn from time to time until a quorum is obtained.

SEC. 84. The following shall be the order of business.

1. Reading minutes of last meeting.
2. Report of Board of Directors.
3. Election of new members.
4. Amendment of Constitution.
5. Amendment of Playing Rules.
6. Miscellaneous business.
7. Election of Officers.
8. Adjournment.

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PLAYING RULES
—OF THE—
NATIONAL LEAGUE
—OF—

Professional Base Ball Clubs,

1882.

ADOPTED IN PURSUANCE OF SECTION 64 OF THE
LEAGUE CONSTITUTION.

CLASS I.

THE MATERIALS OF THE GAME.

RULE 1. *The Ground* must be an inclosed field, sufficient in size to enable each player to play in his position as required by these Rules.

RULE 2. *The Infield* must be a space of ground thirty yards square.

RULE 3. *The Bases* must be

(1) Four in number, and designated as First Base, Second Base, Third Base and Home Base.

(2) The Home Base must be of white marble or white stone, twelve inches square, so fixed in the ground as to be even with the surface, and so placed in a corner of the infield that two of its sides will form part of the boundaries of said infield.

(3) The First, Second and Third Bases must be canvas bags, fifteen inches square, painted white, and filled with some soft material, and so placed that the center of each shall be upon a separate corner of the infield, the First Base at the right, the Second Base opposite, and the Third Base at the left of the Home Base.

(4) All the Bases must be securely fastened in their positions, and so placed as to be distinctly seen by the Umpire.

RULE 4. *The Foul Lines* must be drawn in straight lines from the outer corner of the Home Base, through the center of the positions of First and Third Bases, to the boundaries of the Ground.

RULE 5. *The Pitcher's Lines* must be straight lines forming the boundaries of a space of ground, in the Infield, six feet long by four feet wide, distant fifty feet from the center of the Home Base, and so placed that the six feet lines would each be two feet distant from and parallel with a straight line passing through the center of the Home and Second Bases. Each corner of this space must be marked by a flat iron plate or stone, six inches square, fixed in the ground, even with the surface.

RULE 6. *The Catcher's Lines* must be drawn from the outer corner of the Home Base, in continuation of the Foul Lines, straight to the limits of the Ground back of the Home Base.

RULE 7. *The Captain's Lines* must be drawn from the Catcher's Lines to the Limits of the Ground, fifteen feet from and parallel with the Foul Lines.

RULE 8. *The Players' Lines* must be drawn from the Catcher's Lines to the limits of the Ground, fifty feet from and parallel with the Foul Lines.

RULE 9. *The Players' Bench* must be furnished by the Home Club, and placed upon a portion of the Ground outside the Players' Lines. It must be twelve feet in length and immovably fastened to the ground. At each end of such bench must be immovably fixed a bat-rack, with fixtures for holding twenty bats; one such rack must be designated for the exclusive use of the Visiting Club, and the other for the exclusive use of the Home Club.

RULE 10. *The Batsman's Lines* must be straight lines forming the boundaries of a space on the right, and of a similar space on the left of the Home Base, six feet long by three feet wide, extending three feet in front of and three feet behind the center of the Home Base, and with its nearest line distant one foot from the Home Base.

RULE 11. *The Three Feet Lines* must be drawn as follows: From a point on the Foul Line from Home Base to First Base, and equally distant from such bases, shall be drawn a line on Foul Ground, at a right angle to said Foul Line, and to a point three feet distant from it; thence running parallel with said Foul Line, to a point three feet distant from the center of the First Base; thence in a straight line to the center of the First Base, and thence upon the Foul Line to the point of beginning.

RULE 12. *The lines designated* in Rules 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10 and 11 must be marked with chalk or other suitable material, so as to be distinctly seen by the Umpire. They must all be so marked their entire length, *except* the Captain's and Players' Lines, which must be so marked for a distance of at least thirty-five yards from the Catcher's Lines.

RULE 13. *The Ball*

(1) Must not weigh less than five nor more than five and one-quarter ounces avoirdupois, and measure not less than nine nor more than nine and one-quarter inches in circumference. It must be composed of woolen yarn, and contain not more than one ounce of vulcanized rubber in mould form, and be covered with leather. It must be furnished by the Secretary of the League, whose seal shall be final evidence of the legality of the ball.

(2) In all games the ball or balls played with shall be furnished by the Home Club, and become the property of the winning club.

(3) Should the ball become out of shape, or cut or ripped so as to expose the yarn, or in any way so injured as to be unfit for fair use in the opinion of the Umpire, on being appealed to by either Captain, a new ball shall be called for by the Umpire at the end of an even innings.

(4) Should the ball be lost during the game, the Umpire shall, at the expiration of five minutes, call for a new ball.

RULE 14. *The Bat*

(1) Must be made wholly of wood.

(2) It must be round, must not exceed two and one-half inches in diameter in the thickest part, and must not exceed forty-two inches in length.

CLASS II.

FIELD RULES.

RULE 15. *No Club* shall allow open betting or pool selling upon its grounds, nor in any building owned or occupied by it.

RULE 16. *No Club* shall sell or allow to be sold upon its grounds, nor in any building owned or occupied by it, any spirituous, vinous or malt liquors.

RULE 17. *No person* shall be allowed upon any part of the field during the progress of the game, in addition to the nine players on each side and the umpire, except such officers of the law as may be present in uniform to preserve the peace.

RULE 18. *Players in uniform* shall not be permitted to seat themselves among the spectators.

RULE 19. *The umpire* is the sole judge of play, and is entitled to the respect of the spectators, and any person hissing or hooting at, or offering any insult or indignity to him, must be promptly ejected from the grounds.

RULE 20. *Every Club* shall furnish sufficient police force upon its own grounds to preserve order, and in the event of a crowd entering the

field during the progress of a game, and interfering with the play in any manner, the Visiting Club may refuse to play further until the field be cleared; and if the ground be not cleared within fifteen minutes thereafter, the Visiting Club may claim, and shall be entitled to, the game by a score of nine runs to none (no matter what number of innings have been played).

RULE 21. *No Manager, Captain or Player* shall address the audience during the progress of a game, except in case of necessary explanation.

CLASS III.

THE PLAYERS AND THEIR POSITIONS.

RULE 22. *The Players* of each club, in a match game, shall be nine in number, one of whom shall be the Captain.

RULE 23. *The Players' Positions* shall be

(1) When in the field (designated "Fielders" in these Rules) such as may be assigned them by their Captain, *except* that the Pitcher must take his position within the Pitcher's Lines, as defined in Rule 5.

(2) When their side goes to the bat they must immediately seat themselves upon the Players' Bench, and remain there until the side is put out, *except* when batsman or base-runner. All bats not in use must be kept in the bat racks, and the two players next succeeding the Batsman, in the order in which they are named on the Score, must be ready with bat in hand to promptly take position as batsman: *Provided*.

that the Captain, and one assistant only, may occupy the space between the Players' Lines and the Captain's Lines, to coach Base-Runners.

(3) The Batsmen must take their positions within the Batsman's Lines, as defined in Rule 10, in the order in which they are named on the Score, which must contain the batting order of both nines and must be followed, except in case of disability of a player, in which case the substitute must take the place of the disabled player in the batting order.

(4) No player of the side at bat, *except* when Batsman, shall occupy any portion of the space within the Catcher's Lines as defined in Rule 6.

CLASS IV.

DEFINITIONS.

RULE 24. *A High Ball* is a ball legally delivered by the Pitcher, over the Home Base, higher than the belt of the Batsman, but not higher than his shoulder.

RULE 25. *A Low Ball* is a ball legally delivered by the Pitcher, over the Home Base, not higher than the Batsman's belt, nor lower than his knee.

RULE 26. *A High or Low Ball* is a ball legally delivered by the Pitcher, over the Home Base, not higher than the Batsman's shoulder, nor lower than his knee.

RULE 27. *A Fair Ball* is a ball delivered by the Pitcher, while wholly within the lines of his position and facing the Batsman, with

his arm swinging nearly perpendicular by his side and his hand passing below his waist, and the ball passing over the Home Base at the height called for by the Batsman.

RULE 28. *An Unfair Ball* is a ball delivered by the Pitcher as in Rule 27, except that the ball does not pass over the Home Base, or does not pass over the Home Base at the height called for by the Batsman.

RULE 29. *A Balk* is

(1) A motion made by the Pitcher to deliver the ball to the bat without delivering it, *except* the ball be accidentally dropped; or,

(2) The ball be held by the Pitcher so long as to delay the game unnecessarily; or,

(3) Delivered to the bat by the Pitcher when any part of his person is upon ground outside the lines of his position.

RULE 30. *A Foul Balk* is a ball delivered to the bat by the Pitcher by an overhand throw, or any swing of the arm or hand other than that prescribed in Rule 27.

RULE 31. *A Dead Ball* is a ball delivered to the bat by the Pitcher, that touches the Batsman's bat, without being struck at, or any part of the Batsman's person while standing in his position, without being struck at, or any part of the Umpire's person, without first passing the Catcher.

RULE 32. *A Block* is a batted or thrown ball that is stopped or handled by any person not engaged in the game.

RULE 33. *A Fair Hit* is a ball batted by the Batsman, standing in his position, that first touches the ground, the First Base, the Third Base, the person of a player, or any other object, in front of or on either of the Foul Lines, or (*Exception*) batted directly to the ground by the Batsman, standing in his position, that (whether it first touches Foul or Fair Ground) bounds or rolls within the Foul Lines between Home and First, or Home and Third Bases, without first touching the person of a player.

RULE 34. *A Foul Hit* is a ball batted by the Batsman, standing in his position, that first touches the ground, the person of a player, or any other object, behind either of the Foul Lines, or that strikes the person of such Batsman, while standing in his position, or (*Exception*) batted directly to the ground by the Batsman, standing in his position, that (whether it first touches Foul or Fair Ground) bounds or rolls outside the Foul Lines, between Home and First, or Home and Third Bases, without first touching the person of a player.

RULE 35. *A Strike* is

(1) A ball struck at by the Batsman without it touching his bat; or,

(2) A ball legally delivered by the Pitcher at the height called for by the Batsman, and over the Home Base, but not struck at by the Batsman.

RULE 36. *A Foul Strike* is a ball batted by the Batsman when any part of his person is upon ground outside the lines of the Batsman's position.

RULE 37. *Play* is the order of the Umpire to begin the game, or to resume play after its suspension.

RULE 38. *Time* is the order of the Umpire to suspend play. Such suspension must not extend beyond the day of the game.

RULE 39. *Game* is the announcement by the Umpire that the game is terminated.

RULE 40. *An Inning* is the turn at bat of the nine players representing a Club in a game, and is completed when three of such players have been put out as provided in these Rules.

RULE 41. *A time at bat* is the term at bat of a batsman. It begins when he takes his position, and continues until he is put out, or becomes a base runner.

RULE 42. *Legal, or Legally*, signifies as required by these rules.

CLASS V.

THE GAME.

RULE 43. *A Game* shall consist of nine innings to each contesting nine, except that:

(1) If the side first at bat scores less runs in nine innings than the other side has scored in eight innings, the game shall then terminate.

(2) If the side last at bat in the ninth innings scores the winning run before the third man is out, the game shall then terminate.

(3) If the score be a tie at the end of nine innings to each side, play shall only be continued until the side first at bat shall have scored one or more runs than the other side, in an equal number of innings; or until the other side shall score one more run than the side first at bat.

(4) If the Umpire calls "Game" on account of darkness or rain at any time after five innings have been completed by both sides, the score shall be that of the last equal innings played, *unless* the side second at bat shall have scored one or more runs than the side first at bat, in which case the score of the game shall be the total number of runs made.

RULE 44. *A Drawn Game* shall be declared by the Umpire when he terminates a game, on account of darkness or rain, after five equal innings have been played, if the score at the time is equal on the last even innings played; but (*Exception*) if the side that went second to bat is then at the bat, and has scored the same number of runs as the other side, the Umpire shall declare the game drawn, without regard to the score of the last equal innings.

RULE 45. *A Forfeited Game* shall be declared by the Umpire, in favor of the Club not in fault, in the following cases:

(1) If the nine of a club fail to appear upon the Field, or, being upon the Field, fail to begin

the game, within five minutes after the Umpire has called "Play" at the hour appointed for the beginning of the game.

(2) If, after the game has begun, one side refuses or fails to continue playing, *unless* such game has been suspended or terminated by the Umpire.

(3) If, after play has been suspended by the Umpire, one side fails to resume playing within five minutes after the Umpire has called "Play."

(4) If the Umpire calls three Foul Balks in one inning, and has warned the pitcher of the penalty after the second Foul Balk, and before the third is called.

(5) If, in the opinion of the Umpire, any one of these Rules is willfully violated.

RULE 46. "*No Game*" shall be declared by the Umpire if he shall terminate play, on account of rain or darkness, before five innings on each side are completed.

RULE 47. *A Substitute* shall not be allowed to take the place of any player in a game, *unless* such player be disabled in the game then being played, by reason of illness or injury.

RULE 48. *The Choice of First Innings* shall be determined by the two Captains.

RULE 49. *The Umpire* must call "Play" at the hour appointed for beginning a game. The game must begin when the Umpire calls "Play." When he calls "Time," play shall be suspended until he calls "Play" again, and during the interim no player shall be put out, base be run, or run

be scored. The Umpire shall suspend play only for an accident to himself or a player; (but in case of accident to a Fielder, Time shall not be called until the ball be returned to and held by the Pitcher, standing in his position); or in case rain falls so heavily that the spectators are compelled, by the severity of the storm, to seek shelter, in which case he shall note the time of suspension, and, should such rain continue to fall thirty minutes thereafter, he shall terminate the game. The Umpire shall also declare every "Dead Ball," "Block," "Foul Hit," "Foul Strike," "Balk" and "Foul Balk," and after declaring the second "Foul Balk" in one inning, shall warn the Pitcher of the penalty prescribed by Rule 45 (4).

RULE 50. *The Batsman, on taking his position*, must call for a "High Ball," a "Low Ball," or a "High or Low Ball," and the Umpire shall notify the Pitcher to deliver the ball as required; such call shall not be changed after the first ball delivered. The Umpire shall count and call every "Unfair Ball" delivered by the Pitcher, and every "Foul Balk" and "Dead Ball," if also an "Unfair Ball," as a "Ball;" and he shall also count and call every "Strike." Neither a "Ball" nor a "Strike" shall be called counted until the ball has passed the Home Base.

RULE 51. *The Batsman is out*

(1) If he fails to take his position at the bat in his order of batting, unless the error be discovered and the proper Batsman takes his position before a fair hit has been made.

(2) If he fails to take his position within one minute after the Umpire has called for the Batsman.

(3) If he makes a Foul Hit, and the ball be momentarily held by a fielder before touching the ground, or after touching the ground but once, provided it be not caught in a fielder's hat or cap, or touch some object other than the fielder before touching the ground, or before being caught.

(4) If he makes a Foul Strike.

(5) If he plainly attempts to hinder the Catcher from catching the ball, evidently without effort to make a fair hit.

RULE 52. *The Batsman becomes a Base Runner*

(1) Instantly after he makes a Fair Hit.

(2) Instantly after seven Balls have been called by the Umpire.

(3) Instantly after three Strikes have been declared by the Umpire.

RULE 53. *The Base-Runner must touch each Base in regular order, viz.: First, Second, Third and Home Bases, and when obliged to return, must do so on the run, and must retouch the base or bases in reverse order. He shall only be considered as holding a base after touching it, and shall then be entitled to hold such base until he has legally touched the next base in order, or has been legally forced to vacate it for a succeeding Base-Runner.*

RULE 54. *The Base-Runner shall be entitled, without being put out, to take one Base, provided he do so on the run, in the following cases:*

(1) If, while he was Batsman, the Umpire called seven Balls.

(2) If the Umpire awards a succeeding Batsman a base on seven balls, and the Base-Runner is thereby forced to vacate the base held by him.

(3) If the Umpire calls a Balk.

(4) If a ball delivered by the Pitcher pass the Catcher and touch any fence or building within ninety feet of the Home Base.

(5.) If he be prevented from making a base by the obstruction of an adversary.

(6) If a Fielder stop or catch a batted ball with his hat or any part of his dress.

RULE 55. *The Base Runner shall return to his Base, and shall be entitled to so return without being put out, provided he do so on the run.*

(1) If the Umpire declares a Foul Hit, and the ball be not legally caught by a Fielder before touching the ground, or any object other than a Fielder.

(2) If the Umpire declares a Foul Strike.

(3) If the Umpire declares a Dead Ball, unless it be also the seventh Unfair Ball, and he be thereby forced to take the next base, as provided in Rule 54 (2).

RULE 56. *The Base Runner shall not have a substitute run for him.*

RULE 57. *The Base Runner is out:*

(1) If, after three Strikes have been declared against him while Batsman, and the Catcher fails to catch the third-strike ball, he plainly attempts to hinder the Catcher from fielding the ball.

(2) If, having made a Fair Hit while Batsman, such fair-hit ball be momentarily held by a Fielder, before touching the ground or any object other than a Fielder: *Provided*, it be not caught in the Fielder's hat or cap.

(3) If, when the Umpire has declared three Strikes on him while Batsman, the third-strike ball be momentarily held by a Fielder before touching the ground: *Provided*, it be not caught in a Fielder's hat or cap, or touch some object other than a Fielder before being caught.

(4) If, after three Strikes or a Fair Hit, he be touched with the ball in the hand of a Fielder before such Base-Runner touches First Base.

(5) If, after three Strikes or a Fair Hit, the ball be securely held by a Fielder, while touching First Base with any part of his person, before such Base Runner touches First Base.

(6) If, immediately after three strikes, seven balls, or a fair hit, he fails to run to First Base.

(7) If, in running the last half of the distance from Home Base to First Base, he runs outside the Three-Foot Lines, as defined in Rule 11, *except* that he must do so if necessary to avoid a Fielder attempting to field a batted ball, and in such case shall not be declared out.

(8) If, in running from First to Second Base, from Second to Third Base, or from Third to Home Base, he runs more than three feet from a direct line between such bases to avoid being touched by the ball in the hands of a Fielder; but in case a Fielder be occupying the Base-Runner's proper

path, attempting to field a batted ball, then the Base-Runner shall run out of the path and behind said Fielder, and shall not be declared out for so doing.

(9) If he fails to avoid a Fielder attempting to field a batted ball, in the manner prescribed in (7) and (8) of this Rule, or if he, in any way, obstructs a Fielder attempting to field a batted ball: *Provided*, that if two or more Fielders attempt to field a batted ball, and the Base-Runner comes in contact with one or more of them, the Umpire shall determine which Fielder is entitled to the benefit of this Rule, and shall not decide the Base-Runner out for coming in contact with any other Fielder.

(10) If, at any time while the ball is in play, he be touched by the ball in the hand of a Fielder, unless some part of his person is touching a base he is entitled to occupy, provided the ball be held by the Fielder after touching him; *but (exception as to First Base)* in running to First Base he may overrun said base without being put out for being off said base, after first touching it, provided he returns at once and retouches the base, after which he may be put out as at any other base. If, in overrunning First Base, he also attempts to run to Second Base, he shall forfeit such exemption from being put out.

(11) If, when a Fair or Foul Hit ball is legally caught by a Fielder before it touches the ground, such ball is legally held by a Fielder on the base occupied by the Base-Runner when such ball was struck (or the Base-Runner be touched with the

ball in the hand of a Fielder), before he retouches said base after such Fair or Foul Hit ball was so caught: *Provided* that the Base-Runner shall not be out in such case, if, after the ball was legally caught as above, it be delivered to the bat by the Pitcher before the Fielder holds it on the said base or touches the Base-Runner with it.

(12) If, when a Batsman becomes a Base-Runner (*except as provided in Rule 54*), the First Base, or the First and Second Bases, or the First, Second and Third Bases, be occupied, any Base-Runner so occupying a base shall cease to be entitled to hold it, until any following Base-Runner is put out, and may be put out at the next base or by being touched by the ball in the hands of a Fielder in the same manner as in running to First Base, at any time before any following Base-Runner is put out.

(13) If a Fair Hit ball strike him, he shall be declared out, and in such case no base shall be run unless forced, and no run be scored.

(14) If, when running to a base or forced to return to a base, he fail to touch the intervening base or bases, if any, in the order prescribed in Rule 53, he may be put out at the base he fails to touch, or by being touched by the ball in the hand of a Fielder, in the same manner as in running to First Base: *Provided*, That he shall not be declared out unless the Captain of the fielding side claim such decision before the ball is delivered to the bat by the Pitcher.

(15) If, when the Umpire calls "Play," after any suspension of a game, he fails to return to and touch the base he occupied when "Time" was called, before touching the next base.

RULE 58. *The Umpire shall declare the Batter or Base-Runner out, without waiting for an appeal for such decision, in all cases where such player is put out in accordance with these rules, except as provided in Rule 57, (11,) (14) and (15.)*

RULE 59. *In case of a Foul Strike, Foul Hit not legally caught flying, Dead Ball, or Base-Runner put out for being struck by a fair-hit ball, the ball shall not be considered in play until it is held by the Pitcher standing in his position.*

RULE 60. *Whenever a Block occurs, the Umpire shall declare it, and Base-Runners may run the bases without being put out, until after the ball has been returned to and held by the Pitcher standing in his position.*

RULE 61. *One Run shall be scored every time a Base-Runner, after having legally touched the first three bases, shall touch the Home Base before three men are put out. If the third man is forced out, or is put out before reaching First Base, a run shall not be scored.*

RULE 62. *If the Pitcher causes the ball to strike the Batter, and the Umpire be satisfied that he does it intentionally, he shall fine the Pitcher therefor in a sum not less than Ten Dollars, nor more than Fifty Dollars. (See League contract, paragraph 11.)*

RULE 63. *No Player except the Captain or his assistant shall address the Umpire concerning any point of play, and any violation of this Rule shall subject the offender to a fine by the Umpire.*

CLASS VI.

THE UMPIRE.

RULE 64. *The Umpire shall be selected as follows:*

(1) Two clubs may, by mutual agreement, select any man to umpire any game or games, provided that such agreement be in writing, and the man so selected agrees not less than seven days before such game, or the first of such games, to act as such Umpire.

(2) A staff of League Umpires shall be selected in the following manner: Prior to April 1st of each year, each club shall send to the Secretary the names of any persons of good repute and considered competent to act as Umpires. A list of all persons so nominated shall be prepared by the Secretary, and submitted to each club, which shall then select therefrom a number equal to three times the number of clubs then in the League, and shall transmit a list thereof to the Secretary, and the required number having the greatest number of approvals shall constitute the staff of League Umpires.

(3) In case any League Umpire shall enter the service of a League Club as Manager or Player, or absent himself (except in performing

the duties of League Umpire) from the place designated on the Secretary's record as his address, or find that he will be unable, for a definite period, to perform the duties of a League Umpire, he shall immediately notify the Secretary of the period of such service, absence or inability (and the Secretary shall notify all League Clubs), and, during such period, he shall not be eligible to serve as League Umpire, nor be nominated to umpire any championship game.

(4) Any Umpire shall be removed who shall be objected to in writing by two League Clubs, after the commencement of the championship season, and, in the event of the declination, resignation or expulsion of any League Umpire, the Secretary shall nominate, to all League Clubs, a man to replace him, and, unless he receive, by letter or telegram, the adverse vote of two League Clubs on such nomination within five days thereafter, he shall notify all League Clubs, and the person so nominated, of his election as League Umpire.

(5) In the absence of the agreement provided for in (1) of this Rule, the Visiting Club shall, by its President (or officer designated by him), if the club be at home, and by its Manager, if the club be absent from home, not less than five days before any Championship Game, submit by telegraph to the President (or officer designated by him) of the Home Club the names of seven League Umpires, none of whom shall reside in the city of the Visiting Club. The Home Club shall then be charged with the duty of producing

one of the seven so named upon the grounds in season for the game.

(6) In case the Visiting Club shall have failed to furnish the seven names as provided in (5), *the Home Club shall select an Umpire for such game*; and in case the Visiting Club shall have furnished the seven names, as provided in (5), and the Home Club fails to produce one of the Umpires so named, within fifteen minutes before the hour appointed for the game, *the Visiting Club shall select the Umpire*.

RULE 65. *The Umpire's Duties*, in addition to those specified in the preceding Rules, are :

(1) Before the commencement of a Match Game, the Umpire shall see that the rules governing all the materials of the game are strictly observed. He shall ask the Captain of the Home Club whether there are any special ground rules to be enforced, and, if there are, he shall see that they are duly enforced, provided they do not conflict with any of these Rules. He shall also ascertain whether the fence in the rear of the Catcher's position is distant ninety feet from the Home Base.

(2) The Umpire shall not reverse his decision on any point of play upon the testimony of any player engaged in the game or upon the testimony of any bystander.

RULE 66. *The Umpire shall not be changed* during the progress of a match game, except for reason of illness or injury, or by the consent of the Captains of the two contesting Nines.

RULE 67. *Any League Umpire who shall be convicted* of selling, or offering to sell, a game of which he is Umpire, shall thereupon be removed from his official capacity and placed under the same disabilities inflicted on expelled players by the Constitution of the League. (See, also, Constitution, Section 45.)

RULE 68. *The Umpire's Jurisdictions and Powers*, in addition to those specified in the preceding Rules, are:

(1) The gentleman selected to fill the position of Umpire must keep constantly in mind the fact that upon his sound discretion and promptness in conducting the game, compelling players to observe the spirit as well as the letter of the Rules, and enforcing each and every one of the Rules, largely depends the merit of the game as an exhibition, and the satisfaction of spectators therewith. He must make his decisions distinct and clear, remembering that every spectator is anxious to hear such decision. He must keep the contesting nines playing constantly from the commencement of the game to its termination, allowing such delays only as are rendered unavoidable by accident, injury or rain. He must, until the completion of the game, require the players of each side to promptly take their positions in the field as soon as the third hand is put out, and must require the first striker of the opposite side to be in his position at the bat as soon as the fielders are in their places.

(2) The players of the side "at bat" must occupy the portion of the field allotted them,

subject to the condition that they must speedily vacate any portion thereof that may be in the way of the ball, or any fielder attempting to catch or field it. The triangular space behind the Home Base is reserved for the exclusive use of the Umpire, Catcher and Batsman, and the Umpire must prohibit any player of the side "at bat" from crossing the same at any time while the ball is in the hands of the Pitcher or Catcher, or is passing between them, while standing in their positions.

(3) Section 9 of the League Constitution makes the League Umpire a member of the League. During the progress of a game he is the sole representative of the League, to see that the game is played and determined solely on its merits, and these Rules invest him with ample powers to accomplish this purpose. In the performance of his duties he must remember that his sole allegiance is due to the League, and that the circumstance of his fees and expenses being paid by the visiting club places him under no obligation whatever to such club. Such expenses are equally borne by all League Clubs, taking the season as a whole; hence the visiting club merely acts as Paymaster of the League so far as the Umpire is concerned.

(4) The Umpire is master of the Field from the commencement to the termination of the game, and must compel the players to observe the provisions of all the Playing Rules, and he is hereby invested with authority to order any Player to do or omit to do any act, as he may deem it

necessary to give force and effect to any and all of such provisions, and power to inflict upon any player disobeying any such order a fine of not less than five nor more than fifty dollars for each offense, and to impose a similar fine upon any player who shall use abusive, threatening or improper language to the Umpire, audience, or other player, and when the Umpire shall have so punished the player, he shall not have the power to revoke or remit the penalty so inflicted. (See League Contract, paragraph 11.)

(5) The Umpire shall, at once, notify the Captain of the offending player's side of the infliction of any fine herein provided for, and the club to which such player belongs shall, upon receipt of a notice of said fine from the Secretary of the League, within ten days transmit the amount of such fine to the Secretary of the League.

(6) In case the Umpire imposes a fine on a player, or declares a game forfeited, he shall transmit a written notice thereof to the Secretary of the League within twenty-four hours thereafter; and if he shall fail to do so, he shall forfeit his position as League Umpire, and shall forever thereafter be ineligible to umpire any League game.

RULE 69. For the special benefit of the patrons of the Game, and because the offenses specified are under his immediate jurisdiction, and not subject to appeal by players, the attention of the Umpire is particularly directed to possible violations of the purpose and spirit of the Rules, of the following character :

1. Laziness or loafing of players in taking their places in the field, or those allotted them by the Rules when their side is at bat, and especially any failure to keep the bats in the racks provided for them; to be ready (two men) to take position as Batsman, and to remain upon the Players' Bench except when otherwise required by the Rules.

2. Any attempt by players of the side at bat, by calling to a fielder other than the one designated by his Captain, to field a ball, or by any other equally disreputable means seeking to disconcert a fielder.

3. Indecent or improper language addressed by a player to the audience, the Umpire, or any player.

In any of these cases the Umpire should promptly fine the offending player.

4. The Rules make a marked distinction between hindrance of an adversary in fielding a batted or a thrown ball. This has been done to rid the game of the childish excuses and claims formerly made by a Fielder failing to hold a ball to put out a Base-Runner, but there may be cases of a Base-Runner so flagrantly violating the spirit of the Rules and of the Game in obstructing a Fielder from fielding a thrown ball, that it would become the duty of the Umpire not only to declare the Base-Runner "out" (and to compel any succeeding Base-Runners to hold their bases), but also to impose a heavy fine upon him. For example: If the Base-Runner plainly strike the ball while passing him, to prevent its being

caught by a Fielder ; if he hold a Fielder's arms so as to disable him from catching the ball, or if he knock the Fielder down with his fist for the same purpose.

5. In the case of a "Block", if the person not engaged in the game should retain possession of the ball, or throw or kick it beyond the reach of the Fielders, the Umpire should call "Time," and require each Base-runner to stop at the last base touched by him, until the ball be returned to the Pitcher, standing in his position.

6. The Umpire must call "Play" at the exact time advertised for beginning a game, and any player not then ready to take the position allotted him must be promptly fined by the Umpire.

7. The Umpire is only allowed, by the Rules, to call "Time" in case of an accident to himself or a player, or in case of rain, as defined by the Rules. The practice of players suspending the game to discuss or contest a decision with the Umpire, is a gross violation of the Rules, and the Umpire should promptly fine any player who interrupts the game in this manner.

CLASS VII

SCORING.

RULE 70. *In Order to Promote Uniformity in Scoring* Championship Games, the following instructions, suggestions and definitions are made for the benefit of scorers of League clubs, and they are required to make the scores mentioned in Section 80 of the League Constitution in accordance therewith.

Batting.

(1) The first item in the tabulated score, after the player's name and position, shall be the number of times he has been at bat during the game. Any time or times where the player has been sent to base on called balls shall not be included in this column.

(2) In the second column should be set down the runs made by each player.

(3) In the third column should be placed the first base hits made by each player. A base hit should be scored in the following cases :

When the ball from the bat strikes the ground between the foul lines, and out of reach of the fielders.

When a hit is partially or wholly stopped by a fielder in motion, but such player cannot recover himself in time to handle the ball before the striker reaches First Base.

When the ball is hit so sharply to an infielder that he cannot handle it in time to put out a man. In case of doubt over this class of hits, score a base hit and exempt fielder from the charge of an error.

When a ball is hit so slowly toward a fielder that he cannot handle it in time to put out a man.

(4) In the fourth column should be placed to the credit of each player the total bases made by him off his hits.

Fielding.

(5) The number of opponents put out by each player shall be set down in the fifth column. Where a striker is given out by the Umpire for a foul strike, or because he struck out of his turn the put-out shall be scored to the Catcher.

(6) The number of times the player assists shall be set down in the sixth column. An assist should be given to each player who handles the ball in a run-out or other play of the kind.

An assist should be given to the Pitcher when a Batsman fails to hit the ball on the third strike.

An assist should be given to the Pitcher in each case where the Batsman is declared out for making a foul strike or striking out of turn.

An assist should be given to a player who makes a play in time to put a runner out, even if the player who should complete the play fails, through no fault of the player assisting.

And generally an assist should be given to each player who handles the ball from the time it leaves the bat until it reaches the player who makes the put-out, or in case of a thrown ball, to each player who throws or handles it cleanly, and in such a way that a put-out results or would result if no error were made by the receiver.

(7) An error should be given for each mis-play which allows the striker or base-runner to make one or more bases, when perfect play would have insured his being put out. In scoring errors off batted balls, see (3) of this Rule.

CLASS VIII.

CONSTRUCTION AND AMENDMENTS.

RULE 71. No section of these Rules shall be construed as conflicting with or affecting any article of the Constitution of the League,

RULE 72. *No Amendment* or change of any of these Rules shall be made, except in the manner provided in the Constitution of the League.

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE NATIONAL LEAGUE OF PROFESSIONAL BASE BALL CLUBS HELD AT THE ADELPHI HOTEL, SARATOGA SPRINGS, N. Y., THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, A. D. 1881.

The meeting was called to order at 7:45 P. M. by the President. In the absence of Secretary Young, on motion of Mr. Soden, Mr. C. R. DeFreest was elected Secretary pro tem.

The following delegates were present:

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| Mr. W. A. Hulbert, representing the | Chicago Ball Club. |
| " W. G. Thompson, " | " Detroit B. B. Ass'n. |
| " James Moffat, " | " Buffalo " " " |
| " T. C. Peckham, " | " Providence " " |
| " A. H. Soden, " | " Boston " " " |
| " Freeman Brown, " | " Worcester " " |
| Messrs. A. L. Hotchkin | |
| and C. R. DeFreest, " | " Troy City " " |
| Messrs. G. W. Hull and | |
| J. F. Evans, " | " Cleveland " " |

An informal discussion was had relative to the expulsion of players for confirmed dissipation and general insubordination, and the following preamble and resolution were adopted:

WHEREAS, We deem it to be for the best interests of the National Game of Base Ball, and calculated to further the objects of the League as set forth in Article II of its Constitution (and to protect honorable and manly ball players who have complained of the conduct of the persons named, from further enforced association with them) to debar, from further participation in the exhibition of the game, the following named players:—
S. P. Houck, Lipman Pike, L. P. Dickerson, M. J. Dorgan, James J. Fox, Edward Nolan, Wm. Crowley, E. M. Gross, L. J. Brown and E. J. Caskins.

Resolved, I. That we will not employ, in any capacity, any such persons.

II. That we will not play any game of ball with any

Club which employs or presents any of such persons as managers, umpires or players.

III. These resolutions shall have full force and effect as to any and all of these persons named until revoked by unanimous vote of all the Clubs of the National League, at a regular meeting of the League.

On motion, adjourned until the following day.

FRIDAY, SEPT. 30, 1881.

The League reconvened at 10 o'clock, A. M.

The Secretary pro tem gave formal notice of the release of Edward Nolan, by the Cleveland Club, and of A. A. Irwin, by the Worcester Club; also of the suspension by the Cleveland Club of J. J. Smith, for the balance of the season of 1881, and for the season of 1882.

The new form of players' contract was presented by the President, and unanimously adopted. The following agreement was then adopted:

The undersigned Associations, members of the National League of Professional Base Ball Clubs, do hereby agree, each with the others, that in contracting with players for the season of 1882, and for subsequent years, we will, in every instance, make use of the form of contract which is attached hereto, and now with this agreement, filed with the Secretary of the League. No contract shall be made with any player, except in the form now agreed upon, nor shall the form be modified or changed in the case of any player or of any club, and in no case shall wages be paid to any player on account of his contract before the same shall have been earned by him, except so far as money may be needed by him to pay his expenses from his home to join his club in the Spring.

Every contract so to be made by each club with each of its players shall, after its execution by the parties to it, be forwarded to the Secretary of the League. If the Secretary shall find the contract to be in the prescribed form, he shall indorse upon it the date of its reception by him, and shall enter the date of its receipt, and the

names of the parties to it, in a book to be kept for that purpose. He shall then return the contract to the club from which he shall have received it. In no case shall the Secretary notify other clubs of such contract, as provided in Section 2, Article XI of the Constitution, or act upon the contract until he shall have found it to be in proper form as herein agreed.

Dated Saratoga Springs, N. Y., Sept. 30, A. D. 1881.
 The Chicago Ball Club, (Signed) by W. A. Hulbert, Pres.
 " Boston B. B. Ass'n, " " A. H. Soden, "
 " Cleveland B. B. " " " J. F. Evans, "
 " Troy City " " " " " A. L. Hotchkin, "
 " Buffalo " " " " " Jas. Moffat, Vice "
 " Providence " " " " " T. C. Peckham.
 " Worcester " " " " " Freeman Brown, Treas.
 " Detroit " " " " " W. G. Thompson Pres.

It was moved and seconded that the agreement not to hire players for 1882 be abrogated. Carried.

Mr. Hotchkin, from Troy, obtained unanimous consent to add the name of E. J. Caskins to the black list if it was decided so to do by the directors of the Troy club, and his name was subsequently added.

Mr. Evans, of Cleveland, called the attention of the delegates to the abuse of Herman Doscher by Providence papers while he was acting as umpire in that city. An informal discussion was had on the subject.

On motion adjourned.

(Signed.)

W. A. HULBERT,
 President.

C. R. DEFREEST, Secretary pro tem.

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE NATIONAL LEAGUE OF PROFESSIONAL B. B. CLUBS HELD AT THE TREMONT HOUSE, CHICAGO, TUESDAY, DEC. 6, A. D. 1881.

Meeting called to order at 8 o'clock, P. M., and on motion, adjourned to meet at 10 o'clock A. M. on the following day.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 7, A. D. 1881.

Meeting called to order at 10 o'clock A. M.

Present. Mr. W. A. Hulbert, Chairman, and Messrs. Brown, Hotchkin, Smith and Thompson, Directors. (Mr. Smith representing the Buffalo club in the absence of Mr. Jewett).

The Secretary presented a tabular statement of championship games won and lost during the season of 1881, showing the Chicago club to have won the greatest number.

On motion, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the Chicago Ball Club of Chicago, Ill., having won the greatest number of games in the championship series, is hereby awarded the championship of the United States for the year 1881.

The report of the Treasurer was received and accepted.

The Secretary presented the petition of Philip Baker, asking for the removal of disabilities caused by his expulsion from the Providence B. B. Association. On motion, the application of Mr. Baker for reinstatement was denied.

The Secretary also presented an appeal from Mr. C. W. Jones asking for a removal of his disabilities caused by his expulsion from the Boston B. B. Association.

Mr. Thompson moved that it be the decision of this Board that this Board has no authority to consider any appeal from C. W. Jones, and therefore declines to act upon any such appeal.

Mr. N. E. Young was re-elected Secretary.

On motion adjourned.

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| (Signed.) | W. A. HULBERT, | Chairman. |
| " | W. G. THOMPSON, | } Directors. |
| " | JAS. H. SMITH, | |
| " | A. L. HOTCHKIN, | |
| " | FREEMAN BROWN, | |

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE NATIONAL LEAGUE OF PROFESSIONAL B. B. CLUBS, HELD AT THE TREMONT HOUSE, CHICAGO, WEDNESDAY, DEC. 7, A. D. 1881.

Meeting called to order at 12 M. by the President.

The following named gentlemen presented their credentials as the representatives of their respective clubs, viz:

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| W. A. Hulbert and | | | |
| A. G. Mills, | representing the | Chicago Ball Club. | |
| A. H. Soden and | | | |
| Harry Wright, | " | " Boston B. B. Ass'n. | |
| J. F. Evans, | " | " Cleveland " | " " |
| H. B. Winship, | " | " Providence " | " " |
| A. L. Hotchkinn, | " | " Troy City " | " " |
| W. G. Thompson, | " | " Detroit " | " " |
| Jas. H. Smith, | " | " Buffalo " | Club. |
| Freeman Brown, | " | " Worcester " | " " |

On motion, the reading of the minutes of the last meeting was dispensed with. The report of the Board of Directors was presented and accepted.

The meeting next proceeded to consider amendments to the League Constitution, pending the consideration of which, on motion adjourned to meet at 9:30 A. M. on the following day.

THURSDAY, DEC. 8, A. D. 1881.

Meeting called to order at 9:30 A. M., and continued the consideration of amendments to the League Constitution, which, as amended, was adopted as follows. (See Constitution.)

The meeting next proceeded to consider amendments to the Playing Rules, which, as amended, were adopted as follows. (See Playing Rules.)

On motion, the following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, That the next annual meeting of the League be held at Hotel Dorrance, Providence, R. I.

Resolved, That the President of the League is hereby

empowered to reconvene this annual meeting of the League at any time prior to April 1, 1882.

The President appointed Messrs. Brown, Evans and Winship as a committee on posters.

The following named gentlemen were duly elected to compose a part of the staff of League umpires for 1882. (See list of umpires.)

On motion, the publication of the League book was left in the hands of the Secretary.

The President appointed Messrs. Soden, Winship and Thompson a committee to confer with, and receive bids from manufacturers present, for furnishing the necessary number of balls for the use of the League clubs during the year 1882. The committee reported in favor of the "Spalding League Ball," and the contract for furnishing the same was duly awarded to Messrs. A. G. Spalding & Bros. of Chicago, Ill.

The following resolution offered by Mr. Evans was adopted:

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed, of which the President shall be a member, to select a uniform for the eight League clubs.

The President appointed Messrs. Winship, Hotchkin and Hulbert as such committee.

On motion, the election of the requisite number to complete the staff of League umpires was deferred until the next meeting.

Messrs. Hulbert and Soden were duly elected a committee to prepare a schedule for the season of 1882.

On motion adjourned to meet at 9:30 A. M. on the following day.

FRIDAY, DEC. 9, A. D. 1881.

Meeting called to order at 9:30 A. M.

The committee on uniforms presented their report and the following agreement was duly signed. (See agreement as to uniforms.)

Mr. Winship, in behalf of the Providence club,

requested the reinstatement of Mr. E. M. Gross, formerly of their club, who was ineligible to participate in League or League Alliance games by reason of his name having been placed on the "black list" at a special meeting of the League held at Saratoga Springs, N. Y., Sept. 29, 1881.

After a lengthy informal discussion [of the question, on motion of Mr. Thompson the action of the Saratoga meeting was unanimously reaffirmed. Mr. W. A. Hulbert was unanimously re-elected President of the League.

The following named gentlemen were elected, with the President, to constitute the Board of Directors for the ensuing year, namely: Josiah Jewett, W. G. Thompson, Freeman Brown and A. L. Hotchkin.

No further business appearing, on motion adjourned.

(Signed.)

W. A. HULBERT,
President.

N. E. YOUNG,
Secretary.

AGREEMENT AS TO UNIFORMS.

The parties hereto agree that in all *Championship Games* during the year 1882, they will present the nines of their respective clubs in uniforms consisting of the following specified articles and colors:

| | Shirts. | Pants and Belt. | Cap. | Shoes. | Tie. |
|----------------|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------------|---------|--------|
| Catcher | Scarlet | White | Scarlet | Leather | White. |
| Pitcher | Light blue | " | Light blue | " | " |
| First Baseman | Scarlet & white | " | Scarlet & white | " | " |
| Second Basem'n | Orange " black | " | Orange " black | " | " |
| Third Baseman | Gray " white | " | Gray and white | " | " |
| Short Stop | Maroon | " | Maroon | " | " |
| Right Fielder | Gray | " | Gray | " | " |
| Center Fielder | Red and black | " | Red and black | " | " |
| Left Fielder | White | " | White | " | " |
| Substitute | Green | " | Green | " | " |
| Substitute | Brown | " | Brown | " | " |

CAPS—Square top. Colors same as shirts.

The colors of the stockings of all players in the nines of each club, shall be as follows :

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| Boston, red. | Detroit, old gold. |
| Chicago, white. | Troy City, green. |
| Buffalo, gray. | Cleveland, navy blue. |
| Worcester, brown. | Providence, light blue. |

The Chicago Ball Club, (Signed) by W. A. Hulbert, Pres.

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| " Boston | B. B. Ass'n | " | " | " A. H. Soden, | " |
| " Detroit | " " | " | " | " W. G. Thompson | " |
| " Cleveland | " " | " | " | " J. F. Evans, | " |
| " Worcester | " " | " | " | " Freeman Brown, Tr's. | |
| " Troy City | " " | " | " | " A. L. Hotchkin, Dir. | |
| " Buffalo, | " " | " | " | " Jas. H. Smith, Del. | |
| " Providence | " " | " | " | " H. B. Winship, | " |

Chicago, Dec. 9, 1881.

BUSINESS AGREEMENT.

CHICAGO, DEC. 9, A. D. 1881.

The parties hereto agree that during the year 1882, they will govern themselves in all matters pertaining to base ball by the provisions of the Constitution of the National League of Professional Base Ball Clubs, and especially in all business matters with each other by the provisions of Section 73 of the said Constitution.

We each and all hereby obligating ourselves to fully discharge the obligations specified in said Section.

The Worcester B. B. Club, *Freeman Brown, Treasurer.*

The Chicago Ball Club, *W. A. Hulbert, President.*

The Boston B. B. Association, *A. H. Soden, President.*

The Cleveland B. B. Association, *J. F. Evans, President.*

The Providence B. B. Association, *H. B. Winship,*
Delegate.

The Buffalo B. B. Club, *Jas. H. Smith, Delegate.*

The Detroit B. B. Club, *W. G. Thompson, President.*

The Troy City B. B. Association, *A. L. Hotchkin,*
Director.

SPECIAL LEAGUE MEETING.

March 7, 1882.

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE NATIONAL LEAGUE OF PROFESSIONAL BASE BALL CLUBS, HELD AT THE OSBORN HOUSE, ROCHESTER, N. Y., TUESDAY, MARCH 7, 1882.

In the absence of President Hulbert, the meeting was called to order by Secretary Young at 10 o'clock A. M.

On motion Mr. A. H. Soden was elected chairman *pro tem*.

The following named gentlemen were present as the representatives of their respective clubs :

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| A. G. Spalding, | representing the | Chicago Ball Club. |
| " | " | " |
| " | " | Cleveland B. B. Assoc'n. |
| Jas. Moffatt, and | | |
| J. A. Mugridge | " | Buffalo " " |
| Hon. W. G. Thompson, | " | Detroit " " |
| A. H. Soden, | " | Boston " " |
| Harry Wright, | " | Providence " " |
| W. O. Wilder, | " | Worcester " " |
| A. L. Hotchkin, | " | Troy City " " |

The first business in order being the election of the necessary number of League Umpires to complete the list for 1882, the following named gentlemen were duly elected. (See list of Umpires.)

The committee appointed to prepare a schedule of League games for 1882 submitted their report, which was very promptly and unanimously adopted.

On motion it was unanimously resolved, as the sense of this meeting, that no League club could play any League Alliance club during the month of April upon any other than the regular League rules governing games between League and League Alliance clubs.

The Secretary was authorized and empowered to arrange the hotel rates in the various League cities for the season of 1882.

No further business appearing, on motion adjourned.
(Signed)

N. E. YOUNG,

Secretary.

A. H. SODEN,

President *pro tem*.

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 AGREEMENT

IN RELATION TO ENGAGEMENT OF PLAYERS FOR 1883.

The undersigned associations, members of the National League of Professional Base Ball Clubs, do hereby agree each with the others, that neither they, nor any officer, member or agent of their respective organizations shall contract with, employ, engage or negotiate with any player for services during the season of 1883, or subsequent seasons, prior to October 23, 1882.

In testimony whereof the parties hereto have hereunto set their names, in the city of Rochester, this 7th day of March, 1882.

The Boston B. B. Association,

By A. H. Soden, President.

The Providence B. B. Association,

By Harry Wright, Manager.

The Worcester B. B. Association,

By W. O. Wilder, Delegate.

The Troy City B. B. Association,

By A. L. Hotchkiss, Director.

The Buffalo B. B. Association,

By Jas. Moffat, Vice-President.

The Cleveland B. B. Association,

By A. G. Spalding, Delegate.

The Detroit B. B. Association,

By W. G. Thompson, President.

The Chicago Ball Club,

By A. G. Spalding, Secretary.

OFFICERS AND PLAYERS.

The following is an official list of the Officers of the National League of Professional Base Ball Clubs, and Officer, and Players of Clubs belonging to the "National League of Professional Base Ball Clubs," and Officers and Players of clubs, members thereof, for the season of 1882, so far as completed, March 8, 1882.

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Chicago, Ill.

N. E. YOUNG, SECRETARY, P. O. Box No. 536, Washington,
D. C. Telegrams to Second Auditor's Office.

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HON. W. G. THOMPSON, Detroit, Mich.

FREEMAN BROWN, Worcester, Mass.

A. L. HOTCHKIN, Troy, N. Y.

BOSTON BASE BALL ASSOCIATION, OF BOSTON,
MASS.

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No. 116 Water Street.

F. P. ROUNDY, *Secretary.*

Joseph Hornung,
Thomas Deasley,
J. E. Whitney,
P. J. Hotaling,
H. M. McClure,

E. B. Sutton,
Robert Matthews,
J. J. Burdock,
Edward Rowen,
S. W. Wise.

BUFFALO BASE BALL ASSOCIATION OF
BUFFALO, N. Y.

JOSIAH JEWETT, *President.* GEO. H. HUGHSON, *Secretary.*
No. 11 White Fire Proof Building.

David W. Force,
Wm. A. Purcell,
James O'Rourke,
Jas. F. Galvin,
Thos. Morrissey,

Dennis Brouters,
Chas. J. Foley,
H. Richardson,
John C. Rowe,
Jas. L. White,

Hugh Daily.

CHICAGO BALL CLUB, OF CHICAGO, ILL.

W. A. HULBERT, *President*, A. G. SPALDING, *Secretary*,
 108 Michigan Avenue. *108 Madison Street.*

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| Thomas Burns, | Lawrence Corcoran, |
| F. S. Flint, | M. J. Kelly, |
| F. E. Goldsmith, | E. N. Williamson, |
| A. Dalrymple, | J. L. Quest, |
| Geo. F. Gore, | Hugh Nicol, |

Adrian C. Anson.

CLEVELAND BASE BALL ASSOCIATION, OF
CLEVELAND, O.

C. H. BULKELEY, *President.* E. A. HARVEY, *Secretary.*

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| John Kelly, | T. J. Esterbrook, |
| Jas. McCormick, | W. B. Phillips, |
| Fred. Dunlap, | Michael Muldoon, |
| John Glasscock, | Geo. W. Bradley, |
| M. J. Kennedy, | Geo. Shaffer, |

Jno. Richmond.

DETROIT BASE BALL ASSOCIATION, OF DE-
TROIT, MICH.

HON. W. G. THOMPSON, *President.* F. C. BANCROFT, *Man'r*
 Mayor's Office.

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| Alonzo Knight, | Edward Hanlon, |
| Jos. J. Gerhardt, | C. W. Bennett, |
| Geo. E. Weidman, | Geo. A. Wood, |
| Saml. W. Trott, | Martin J. Powell, |
| Jos. F. Farrell, | Geo. H. Derby, |

Jno. Troy.

PROVIDENCE BASE BALL ASSOCIATION, OF
PROVIDENCE, R. I.

HENRY B. WINSHIP, *President*, HARRY WRIGHT, *Manager*
 Lock Box 609. *No. 16 Messer St.*

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| Chas. Radbourn, | John Farrell, |
| J. M. Ward, | P. A. Hines, |
| Thomas York, | Jeremiah Denny, |
| Jos. Stuart, | B. Gilligan, |

Timothy Manning.

WORCESTER BASE BALL ASSOCIATION, OF
WORCESTER, MASS.

HON. C. B. PRATT, *President.* FREEMAN BROWN, *Secretary,*
"Spy Office."

E. Coggs well,
Fred. Corey,
J. L. Richmond,
H. D. Stovey,
A. J. Bushong,
T. H. Bond,

Geo. Creamer,
John W. O'Rourke,
L. J. McP. Rundlett,
A. A. Irwin,
Fred. I. Mann,
Jacob Evans,

Jno. J. Hayes.

TROY CITY BASE BALL ASSOCIATION, OF
TROY, N. Y.

FRANCIS N. MANN, *President.* C. R. DEFREEST, *Secretary*

W. H. Holbert,
Wm. Ewing,
Fred. Pfeffer,
J. P. Cassidy,
T. J. Keefe,

P. Gillespie,
Michael Welch,
Rodger Conner,
Jas. Roseman,
John J. Smith.

The following officers have been designated by their respective clubs to receive all communications as required by the League Constitution.

Boston B. B. Club, A. H. SODEN, *President,*
116 Water Street.
Buffalo B. B. Club, GEO. H. HUGHSON, *Secretary,*
No. 11 White Fire Proof Building.
Chicago Ball Club, WM. A. HULBERT, *President,*
108 Michigan Avenue.
Cleveland B. B. Club, GEO. W. HOWE, *Secretary,*
No. 6 Rouse Block.
Detroit B. B. Club, HON. W. G. THOMPSON, *President,*
Mayor's Office.
Providence B. B. Club, HARRY WRIGHT, *Manager,*
16 Messer Street.
Worcester B. B. Club, FREEMAN BROWN, *Secretary,*
"Spy Office."
Troy City B. B. Club, A. L. HOTCHKIN, *Director,*
Troy, N. Y.

SCHEDULE OF LEAGUE GAMES FOR 1882.

| 1882. | At Chicago. | At Detroit. | At Cleveland. | At Buffalo. | At Boston. | At Providence. | At Worcester. | At Troy. |
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LEAGUE UMPIRES FOR 1882.

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2. John Kelly, No. 658 10th Avenue, New York.
3. Joseph Quinn, No. 161 Prospect Street, Cambridgeport, Mass.
4. Joseph Dunnigan, No. 345 Spring Street, New York.
5. Richard Pearce, No. 7 DeKalb Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.
6. Wm. Barnie, No. 190 Prince Street, " "
7. John Daily, Brooklyn, N. Y.
8. Richard Higham, No. 24 Federal Street, Troy, N. Y.
9. Charles Briody, Lansingburg, N. Y.
10. W. E. Furlong, Milwaukee, Wis.
11. Wm. McLean, No. 743 N. 45th Street, Philadelphia, Pa.
12. Wm. Hawes, Lowell, Mass.
13. Timothy H. Donavan, No. 62 Middlesex Street, Boston, Mass.
14. Thomas Carey, No. 449 N. Calhoun Street, Baltimore, Md.
15. Chas. L. Bullemore, Victoria, Ontario.
16. James L. Hickey, 370 E. Eagle St., Buffalo, N. Y.
17. Michael Lawler, Troy, N. Y.
18. Herman Doscher, Lansingburg, N. Y.
19. Daniel Guiney, 247 Sixth St., Detroit, Mich.
20. Wm. A. Reid, London, Ont. (Reid's Hotel.)
21. David F. Sullivan, 107 Sigel St., Chicago, Ill.
22. Jno. R. Sullivan, 15 State St., Providence, R. I.
23. Geo. W. Lavers, Boston, Mass.
24. Charles Smith, Worcester, Mass.

BATTING AVERAGES

Of players who have taken part in fifteen or more Championship Games
DURING THE SEASON OF 1881.

| Rank. | NAME. | CLUB. | Games Played. | Times at Bat. | Runs. | Average runs per Game. | 1st Base Hits. | Percentage of Base Hits per Times at Bat. | Total Bases. | Average per Games. |
|-------|-----------------|-----------------|---------------|---------------|-------|------------------------|----------------|---|--------------|--------------------|
| 1 | Anson..... | Chicago..... | 84 | 343 | 67 | 0.79 | 137 | .399 | 179 | 2.13 |
| 2 | Powell..... | Detroit..... | 55 | 219 | 47 | 0.85 | 74 | .338 | 92 | 1.67 |
| 3 | Rowe..... | Buffalo..... | 61 | 246 | 33 | 0.49 | 82 | .333 | 115 | 1.88 |
| 4 | Start..... | Providence..... | 79 | 348 | 56 | 0.71 | 114 | .327 | 138 | 1.74 |
| 5 | Dunlap..... | Cleveland..... | 78 | 345 | 59 | 0.75 | 112 | .324 | 150 | 1.92 |
| 6 | Kelly..... | Chicago..... | 80 | 353 | 84 | 1.05 | 114 | .323 | 154 | 1.92 |
| 7 | Dalrymple..... | "..... | 81 | 332 | 72 | 0.89 | 117 | .323 | 149 | 1.83 |
| 8 | Brouters..... | Buffalo..... | 65 | 270 | 60 | 0.92 | 86 | .318 | 139 | 2.13 |
| 9 | Dickerson..... | Worcester..... | 80 | 367 | 48 | 0.60 | 116 | .316 | 146 | 1.82 |
| 10 | Keenedy..... | Cleveland..... | 38 | 150 | 19 | 0.50 | 47 | .313 | 56 | 1.47 |
| 11 | White..... | Buffalo..... | 78 | 319 | 58 | 0.74 | 99 | .310 | 127 | 1.62 |
| 12 | Flint..... | Chicago..... | 80 | 306 | 46 | 0.57 | 95 | .310 | 117 | 1.46 |
| 13 | Hotaling..... | Worcester..... | 76 | 313 | 50 | 0.65 | 96 | .306 | 120 | 1.58 |
| 14 | York..... | Providence..... | 84 | 312 | 56 | 0.66 | 95 | .304 | 134 | 1.59 |
| 15 | Bennett..... | Detroit..... | 76 | 259 | 44 | 0.58 | 90 | .301 | 144 | 1.89 |
| 16 | O'Rourke..... | Buffalo..... | 83 | 348 | 71 | 0.85 | 105 | .301 | 140 | 1.68 |
| 17 | Gore..... | Chicago..... | 73 | 309 | 86 | 1.18 | 92 | .297 | 131 | 1.79 |
| 18 | Wood..... | Detroit..... | 80 | 337 | 54 | 0.67 | 100 | .296 | 143 | 1.77 |
| 19 | Sutton..... | Boston..... | 83 | 333 | 45 | 0.51 | 97 | .291 | 116 | 1.39 |
| 20 | Richardson..... | Buffalo..... | 83 | 344 | 62 | 0.74 | 100 | .290 | 145 | 1.74 |
| 21 | Morrill..... | Boston..... | 80 | 311 | 47 | 0.58 | 90 | .289 | 115 | 1.43 |
| 22 | Connors..... | Troy City..... | 84 | 361 | 54 | 0.64 | 104 | .288 | 139 | 1.65 |
| 23 | Ferguson..... | "..... | 84 | 334 | 55 | 0.65 | 96 | .287 | 122 | 1.45 |
| 24 | Hines..... | Providence..... | 79 | 356 | 64 | 0.81 | 101 | .283 | 144 | 1.82 |
| 25 | Nelson..... | Worcester..... | 24 | 103 | 13 | 0.54 | 29 | .281 | 33 | 1.37 |
| 26 | Hanck..... | Detroit..... | 75 | 308 | 43 | 0.57 | 86 | .279 | 115 | 1.53 |
| 27 | Welch..... | Troy City..... | 39 | 143 | 12 | 0.30 | 30 | .278 | 42 | 1.07 |
| 28 | Hanlon..... | Detroit..... | 75 | 305 | 63 | 0.84 | 85 | .278 | 120 | 1.60 |
| 29 | Burns..... | Chicago..... | 84 | 342 | 41 | 0.48 | 95 | .277 | 133 | 1.58 |
| 30 | Gillespie..... | Troy City..... | 83 | 343 | 30 | 0.51 | 95 | .277 | 116 | 1.39 |
| 31 | Richmond..... | Boston..... | 26 | 98 | 13 | 0.50 | 27 | .275 | 37 | 1.42 |
| 32 | Gross..... | Providence..... | 51 | 182 | 15 | 0.29 | 50 | .274 | 70 | 1.37 |
| 33 | Holbert..... | Troy City..... | 44 | 175 | 15 | 0.34 | 48 | .274 | 52 | 1.18 |
| 34 | Barnes..... | Boston..... | 69 | 295 | 42 | 0.60 | 80 | .271 | 97 | 1.40 |
| 35 | Dorgan..... | Wor. & Det..... | 59 | 254 | 41 | 0.69 | 69 | .271 | 71 | 1.20 |
| 36 | Stovey..... | Worcester..... | 74 | 236 | 55 | 0.74 | 91 | .270 | 135 | 1.82 |
| 37 | Phillips..... | Cleveland..... | 84 | 351 | 50 | 0.59 | 95 | .270 | 133 | 1.58 |
| 38 | Knight..... | Detroit..... | 83 | 340 | 67 | 0.80 | 92 | .270 | 119 | 1.43 |
| 39 | Williamson..... | Chicago..... | 82 | 343 | 56 | 0.68 | 92 | .268 | 120 | 1.46 |
| 40 | Irwin..... | Worcester..... | 49 | 203 | 27 | 0.55 | 54 | .266 | 71 | 1.45 |
| 41 | Glasscock..... | Cleveland..... | 84 | 330 | 49 | 0.58 | 86 | .260 | 106 | 1.26 |
| 42 | Shaffer..... | "..... | 84 | 338 | 47 | 0.56 | 87 | .257 | 117 | 1.39 |
| 43 | McCormick..... | "..... | 69 | 303 | 45 | 0.65 | 78 | .257 | 98 | 1.42 |
| 44 | Foley..... | Buffalo..... | 53 | 275 | 58 | 0.69 | 96 | .256 | 122 | 1.47 |

BATTING AVERAGES—Continued.

| Rank. | NAME. | CLUB. | Games Played. | Times at Bat. | Runs. | Average runs per Game. | 1st Base Hits. | Percentage of Base Hits per Times at Bat. | Total Bases. | Average per Games. |
|-------|----------------|-----------------|---------------|---------------|-------|------------------------|----------------|---|--------------|--------------------|
| 35 | Whitney..... | Boston..... | 74 | 232 | 37 | 0.50 | 72 | .255 | 98 | 1.32 |
| 36 | Crowley..... | "..... | 71 | 279 | 33 | 0.46 | 71 | .254 | 82 | 1.15 |
| 37 | Clapp..... | Cleveland..... | 65 | 257 | 45 | 0.70 | 65 | .253 | 82 | 1.26 |
| | Nolan..... | "..... | 40 | 163 | 12 | 0.30 | 41 | .251 | 49 | 1.22 |
| 38 | Richmond..... | Worcester..... | 60 | 247 | 29 | 0.48 | 62 | .251 | 69 | 1.15 |
| 39 | Bradley..... | Cleveland..... | 59 | 236 | 20 | 0.34 | 59 | .250 | 76 | 1.28 |
| 40 | Quest..... | Chicago..... | 77 | 293 | 35 | 0.45 | 72 | .249 | 80 | 1.04 |
| 41 | Brown..... | Detroit & Prov. | 44 | 180 | 23 | 0.52 | 44 | .244 | 63 | 1.43 |
| | Ewing..... | Troy City..... | 65 | 267 | 39 | 0.58 | 65 | .243 | 90 | 1.38 |
| 42 | Purcell..... | Cleve'd & Buff. | 50 | 193 | 18 | 0.36 | 47 | .243 | 63 | 1.26 |
| | Gerhardt..... | Detroit..... | 80 | 297 | 35 | 0.43 | 72 | .242 | 97 | 1.21 |
| 43 | Evans..... | Troy City..... | 81 | 310 | 35 | 0.43 | 75 | .242 | 97 | 1.19 |
| 44 | Ward..... | Providence..... | 83 | 352 | 56 | 0.67 | 85 | .241 | 115 | 1.38 |
| | Goldsmith..... | Chicago..... | 40 | 158 | 24 | 0.60 | 38 | .240 | 49 | 1.22 |
| 45 | Denny..... | Providence..... | 84 | 316 | 37 | 0.44 | 76 | .240 | 98 | 1.16 |
| | Hornung..... | Boston..... | 83 | 324 | 40 | 0.48 | 78 | .240 | 111 | 1.33 |
| 46 | Deasley..... | "..... | 40 | 147 | 13 | 0.32 | 35 | .238 | 42 | 1.05 |
| | Burdock..... | "..... | 73 | 282 | 36 | 0.49 | 67 | .237 | 89 | 1.22 |
| 47 | Farrell..... | Providence..... | 83 | 341 | 67 | 0.80 | 81 | .237 | 121 | 1.45 |
| 48 | Moynahan..... | Clev'd & Det'r | 35 | 141 | 13 | 0.37 | 33 | .234 | 39 | 1.11 |
| 49 | Keefe..... | Troy City..... | 46 | 152 | 18 | 0.39 | 35 | .230 | 44 | 0.95 |
| 50 | Bushong..... | Worcester..... | 75 | 271 | 34 | 0.45 | 62 | .229 | 75 | 1.00 |
| 51 | Snyder..... | Boston..... | 60 | 219 | 14 | 0.23 | 50 | .228 | 56 | 0.93 |
| 52 | Caskins..... | Troy City..... | 62 | 234 | 33 | 0.53 | 53 | .226 | 61 | 0.98 |
| 53 | Corcoran..... | Chicago..... | 47 | 189 | 25 | 0.53 | 42 | .222 | 52 | 1.10 |
| | Corey..... | Worcester..... | 50 | 199 | 22 | 0.44 | 44 | .221 | 59 | 1.18 |
| 54 | Radbourn..... | Providence..... | 70 | 267 | 26 | 0.37 | 59 | .221 | 67 | 0.95 |
| | Cassidy..... | Troy City..... | 84 | 365 | 56 | 0.66 | 80 | .219 | 102 | 1.21 |
| 55 | Lewis..... | Boston..... | 27 | 114 | 17 | 0.63 | 25 | .219 | 31 | 1.15 |
| 56 | Gilligan..... | Providence..... | 45 | 179 | 18 | 0.40 | 39 | .218 | 48 | 1.06 |
| 57 | Reilly..... | Detroit & Wor. | 20 | 74 | 10 | 0.50 | 16 | .216 | 18 | 0.90 |
| 58 | Peters..... | Buffalo..... | 54 | 229 | 21 | 0.39 | 49 | .214 | 59 | 1.09 |
| | Galvin..... | "..... | 62 | 236 | 19 | 0.30 | 50 | .211 | 69 | 1.11 |
| | Creamer..... | Worcester..... | 79 | 305 | 42 | 0.53 | 64 | .209 | 79 | 1.00 |
| 60 | Carpenter..... | "..... | 82 | 343 | 39 | 0.47 | 72 | .209 | 94 | 1.14 |
| 61 | Taylor..... | Wor.Clev.& Det | 30 | 130 | 9 | 0.30 | 27 | .207 | 31 | 1.03 |
| 62 | Nicol..... | Chicago..... | 26 | 108 | 13 | 0.50 | 22 | .203 | 24 | 0.92 |
| 63 | Hankinson..... | Troy City..... | 84 | 316 | 34 | 0.40 | 62 | .196 | 79 | 0.94 |
| 64 | Sullivan..... | Buffalo..... | 31 | 121 | 13 | 0.42 | 23 | .190 | 26 | 0.84 |
| 65 | Derby..... | Detroit..... | 59 | 236 | 17 | 0.28 | 44 | .186 | 49 | 0.83 |
| 66 | Whitney..... | "..... | 58 | 214 | 23 | 0.39 | 39 | .182 | 54 | 0.93 |
| | Matthews..... | Prov. & Boston | 34 | 128 | 8 | 0.23 | 23 | .179 | 26 | 0.76 |
| 67 | Force..... | Buffalo..... | 75 | 278 | 21 | 0.28 | 50 | .179 | 61 | 0.81 |
| 68 | Fox..... | Boston..... | 30 | 118 | 8 | 0.26 | 21 | .178 | 21 | 0.70 |
| 69 | Remsen..... | Cleveland..... | 48 | 172 | 14 | 0.29 | 30 | .174 | 39 | 0.81 |
| 70 | Lynch..... | Buffalo..... | 23 | 78 | 6 | 0.26 | 13 | .166 | 16 | 0.69 |
| 71 | McClellan..... | Providence..... | 65 | 255 | 30 | 0.46 | 42 | .164 | 48 | 0.74 |
| 72 | Smith..... | Clev.Wor.&Buff | 24 | 86 | 5 | 0.20 | 8 | .093 | 5 | 0.33 |

FIELDING AVERAGES

Of Players who have taken part in 15 or more Championship Games.

SEASON OF 1881.

FIRST BASEMEN.

| Rank. | NAME. | CLUBS. | Games Played. | Number Put Out. | Times Assisting. | Fielding Errors. | Total Chances. | Percentage of Chances Accepted. |
|-------|----------------|------------------------|---------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------|----------------|---------------------------------|
| 1 | Anson | Chicago | 83 | 892 | 43 | 24 | 959 | .975 |
| 2 | Morrill | Boston | 74 | 743 | 37 | 25 | 805 | .969 |
| 3 | Phillips | Cleveland | 84 | 791 | 23 | 29 | 843 | .965 |
| 4 | Start | Providence | 79 | 837 | 17 | 33 | 887 | .962 |
| 5 | Foley | Buffalo | 23 | 292 | 10 | 13 | 315 | .958 |
| 6 | Brown | Detroit and Providen'e | 31 | 292 | 9 | 13 | 314 | .958 |
| 7 | Storey | Worcester | 56 | 553 | 15 | 27 | 595 | .954 |
| 8 | Dorgan | Worcester and Detroit. | 27 | 313 | 10 | 16 | 339 | .953 |
| 9 | Brothers | Buffalo | 30 | 321 | 11 | 17 | 349 | .951 |
| 10 | Connors | Troy City | 84 | 826 | 40 | 44 | 910 | .951 |
| | Powell | Detroit | 54 | 513 | 17 | 31 | 561 | .944 |
| | White | Buffalo | 25 | 256 | 8 | 16 | 280 | .942 |

SECOND BASEMEN.

| | | | | | | | | |
|---|----------------|------------------|----|-----|-----|----|-----|------|
| 1 | Force | Buffalo | 53 | 168 | 218 | 26 | 412 | .936 |
| 2 | Quest | Chicago | 76 | 238 | 249 | 37 | 524 | .929 |
| 3 | Burdock | Boston | 72 | 202 | 207 | 40 | 449 | .910 |
| 4 | Dunlap | Cleveland | 78 | 258 | 254 | 51 | 563 | .909 |
| 5 | Gerhardt | Detroit | 80 | 259 | 242 | 51 | 552 | .907 |
| 6 | Creamer | Worcester | 79 | 228 | 247 | 51 | 526 | .903 |
| 7 | Ferguson | Troy City | 84 | 259 | 251 | 55 | 565 | .902 |
| 8 | Farrell | Providence | 81 | 210 | 268 | 64 | 542 | .882 |
| 9 | White | Buffalo | 25 | 63 | 88 | 36 | 187 | .807 |

THIRD BASEMEN.

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|---|------------------|------------------|----|-----|-----|----|-----|------|
| 1 | Williamson | Chicago | 74 | 117 | 194 | 31 | 342 | .909 |
| 2 | Hankinson | Troy City | 84 | 149 | 169 | 33 | 351 | .906 |
| 3 | Sutton | Boston | 78 | 114 | 157 | 38 | 309 | .877 |
| 4 | Bradley | Cleveland | 48 | 78 | 76 | 24 | 178 | .865 |
| 5 | Whitney | Detroit | 58 | 73 | 141 | 38 | 352 | .849 |
| 6 | Carpenter | Worcester | 82 | 138 | 171 | 56 | 365 | .846 |
| 7 | Denny | Providence | 84 | 142 | 179 | 60 | 381 | .842 |
| 8 | O'Rourke | Buffalo | 56 | 85 | 80 | 36 | 201 | .820 |

FIELDING AVERAGES—Continued. SHORT STOPS.

| Rank. | NAME. | CLUBS. | Games Played. | Number Put Out. | Times Assisting. | Fielding Errors. | Total Chances. | Percentage of Chances Accepted. |
|-------|----------------|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------|----------------|---------------------------------|
| 1 | Force..... | Buffalo..... | 19 | 25 | 78 | 6 | 109 | .945 |
| 2 | Glasscock..... | Cleveland..... | 79 | 105 | 274 | 37 | 416 | .911 |
| 3 | Caskins..... | Troy City..... | 62 | 85 | 205 | 30 | 320 | .906 |
| 4 | Nelson..... | Worcester..... | 24 | 20 | 94 | 13 | 127 | .897 |
| 5 | Ewing..... | Troy City..... | 21 | 36 | 84 | 15 | 135 | .888 |
| 6 | Burns..... | Chicago..... | 79 | 100 | 249 | 52 | 401 | .870 |
| 7 | Peters..... | Buffalo..... | 53 | 102 | 183 | 43 | 328 | .869 |
| 8 | Houck..... | Detroit..... | 75 | 88 | 241 | 50 | 379 | .868 |
| 9 | Barnes..... | Boston..... | 62 | 91 | 214 | 52 | 357 | .854 |
| 9 | McClellan..... | Providence..... | 50 | 59 | 147 | 35 | 241 | .854 |
| 10 | Irwin..... | Worcester..... | 49 | 49 | 153 | 36 | 238 | .848 |

FIELDERS.

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|----|-----------------|----------------------------|----|-----|----|----|-----|------|
| 1 | Richmond..... | Boston..... | 24 | 59 | 4 | 2 | 65 | .969 |
| 2 | Hornung..... | "..... | 83 | 198 | 19 | 12 | 229 | .947 |
| 3 | Evans..... | Troy City..... | 81 | 139 | 30 | 12 | 181 | .933 |
| 4 | Gillespie..... | "..... | 83 | 177 | 16 | 14 | 207 | .932 |
| 4 | Nicol..... | Chicago..... | 26 | 44 | 11 | 4 | 59 | .932 |
| 5 | Richardson..... | Buffalo..... | 78 | 179 | 45 | 21 | 245 | .914 |
| 5 | O'Rourke..... | "..... | 18 | 27 | 5 | 3 | 35 | .914 |
| 6 | Dorgan..... | Worcester and Detroit..... | 28 | 52 | 7 | 6 | 65 | .907 |
| 6 | Haulon..... | Detroit..... | 73 | 141 | 15 | 18 | 174 | .896 |
| 7 | Ward..... | Providence..... | 35 | 64 | 14 | 9 | 87 | .896 |
| 7 | Hines..... | "..... | 76 | 176 | 14 | 22 | 212 | .896 |
| 8 | Dickerson..... | Worcester..... | 80 | 153 | 28 | 22 | 203 | .891 |
| 9 | Knight..... | Detroit..... | 81 | 116 | 21 | 17 | 154 | .889 |
| 9 | Stovey..... | Worcester..... | 18 | 30 | 1 | 4 | 35 | .885 |
| 11 | Shaffer..... | Cleveland..... | 84 | 120 | 24 | 19 | 163 | .883 |
| 12 | Crowley..... | Boston..... | 71 | 130 | 17 | 20 | 167 | .880 |
| 13 | Cassidy..... | Troy City..... | 84 | 142 | 20 | 23 | 185 | .875 |
| 14 | Gore..... | Chicago..... | 71 | 146 | 21 | 24 | 191 | .874 |
| 15 | Remson..... | Cleveland..... | 48 | 117 | 7 | 18 | 142 | .873 |
| 16 | Moynahan..... | Cleveland and Detroit..... | 32 | 65 | 5 | 11 | 81 | .864 |
| 17 | Wood..... | Detroit..... | 80 | 132 | 18 | 24 | 174 | .862 |
| 18 | Hotaling..... | Worcester..... | 73 | 140 | 21 | 26 | 187 | .861 |
| 19 | York..... | Providence..... | 84 | 158 | 17 | 29 | 204 | .858 |
| 20 | Taylor..... | Wor., Cleve and Det..... | 27 | 60 | 5 | 12 | 77 | .844 |
| 21 | Kelly..... | Chicago..... | 66 | 85 | 31 | 22 | 138 | .840 |
| 22 | Lewis..... | Boston..... | 27 | 35 | 6 | 8 | 49 | .837 |
| 23 | Dalrymple..... | Chicago..... | 81 | 143 | 14 | 31 | 188 | .835 |
| 24 | Clapp..... | Cleveland..... | 20 | 37 | 6 | 9 | 52 | .827 |
| 24 | Corey..... | Worcester..... | 24 | 37 | 6 | 9 | 52 | .827 |
| 25 | Brouthers..... | Buffalo..... | 35 | 56 | 7 | 16 | 79 | .797 |
| 26 | Foley..... | "..... | 50 | 79 | 14 | 24 | 117 | .795 |
| 27 | Purcell..... | Cleveland and Buffalo..... | 44 | 71 | 9 | 23 | 103 | .776 |
| 28 | Matthews..... | Providence and Boston..... | 21 | 27 | 5 | 11 | 43 | .744 |
| 29 | White..... | Buffalo..... | 17 | 19 | 8 | 11 | 38 | .710 |
| 30 | Radbourn..... | Providence..... | 21 | 18 | 7 | 11 | 36 | .694 |

LEAGUE PLAYERS AVERAGES.

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CATCHERS' AVERAGES.

| Rank. | NAME. | CLUB. | Games Played. | Number Put Out. | Times Assisting. | Fielding Errors. | Passed Balls. | Total Chances. | Percentage of Chances Accepted. |
|-------|---------------|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------|---------------|----------------|---------------------------------|
| 1 | Bennett..... | Detroit..... | 67 | 418 | 85 | 20 | 38 | 561 | .896 |
| 2 | Gilligan..... | Providence..... | 34 | 181 | 39 | 16 | 25 | 261 | .843 |
| 3 | Bushong..... | Worcester..... | 75 | 359 | 120 | 40 | 53 | 572 | .837 |
| 4 | Ewing..... | Troy City..... | 43 | 211 | 89 | 28 | 31 | 359 | .835 |
| 5 | Holbert..... | "..... | 41 | 195 | 67 | 24 | 28 | 314 | .834 |
| 6 | Kennedy..... | Cleveland..... | 34 | 207 | 36 | 21 | 29 | 293 | .829 |
| 7 | Flint..... | Chicago..... | 77 | 319 | 92 | 27 | 58 | 496 | .828 |
| 8 | Rowe..... | Buffalo..... | 43 | 187 | 39 | 25 | 38 | 289 | .782 |
| 9 | Gross..... | Providence..... | 50 | 240 | 70 | 37 | 56 | 403 | .769 |
| 9 | Deasley..... | Boston..... | 25 | 133 | 27 | 15 | 33 | 208 | .769 |
| 10 | Clapp..... | Cleveland..... | 45 | 206 | 71 | 34 | 54 | 365 | .758 |
| 11 | Snyder..... | Boston..... | 58 | 261 | 105 | 42 | 99 | 507 | .721 |
| 12 | Sullivan..... | Buffalo..... | 29 | 108 | 31 | 24 | 49 | 212 | .651 |

PITCHERS' RECORD IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER.

SEASON OF 1881.

| NAME. | CLUB. | Games Played. | Times at Bat of Opponents | Runs Scored by Opponents | Average per Game. | Number of 1st Base Hits made by Opponents. | Percentage of Base Hits to Times at Bat of Opponents. | Number of Bases made by Opponents on "Called Balls." | Average per Game. | Number Put Out. | Times Assisting. | Fielding Errors. | Wild Pitches. | Total Chances. | Percentage of Chances Accepted. |
|----------------|-----------------|---------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|--|---|--|-------------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------|---------------|----------------|---------------------------------|
| Corcoran..... | Chicago..... | 45 | 1684 | 207 | 4.60 | 885 | .298 | 79 | 1.72 | 29 | 213 | 11 | 29 | 283 | .858 |
| Cortey..... | Worcester..... | 20 | 760 | 130 | 6.00 | 226 | .297 | 28 | 1.40 | 13 | 64 | 2 | 9 | 88 | .875 |
| Derby..... | Detroit..... | 20 | 760 | 130 | 6.00 | 226 | .297 | 28 | 1.40 | 13 | 64 | 2 | 9 | 88 | .875 |
| Fox..... | Boston..... | 15 | 523 | 88 | 5.86 | 143 | .273 | 38 | 2.53 | 10 | 56 | 7 | 21 | 94 | .702 |
| Galvin..... | Buffalo..... | 53 | 1879 | 241 | 4.54 | 531 | .268 | 45 | 0.85 | 36 | 259 | 19 | 24 | 338 | .872 |
| Goldsmith..... | Chicago..... | 37 | 1306 | 157 | 4.24 | 321 | .245 | 40 | 1.08 | 18 | 171 | 18 | 13 | 220 | .858 |
| Keefe..... | Troy City..... | 45 | 1616 | 243 | 5.40 | 441 | .272 | 88 | 1.95 | 23 | 182 | 17 | 11 | 283 | .872 |
| Lynch..... | Buffalo..... | 18 | 684 | 118 | 6.55 | 212 | .309 | 29 | 1.61 | 9 | 71 | 4 | 11 | 98 | .842 |
| McCormick..... | Cleveland..... | 57 | 2042 | 273 | 4.79 | 498 | .242 | 87 | 1.52 | 23 | 259 | 13 | 21 | 323 | .885 |
| Nolan..... | Cleveland..... | 37 | 1304 | 99 | 4.71 | 178 | .265 | 37 | 1.76 | 9 | 82 | 4 | 10 | 108 | .886 |
| Radburn..... | Providence..... | 37 | 1304 | 157 | 4.24 | 296 | .227 | 65 | 1.75 | 25 | 189 | 10 | 14 | 258 | .859 |
| Richmond..... | Worcester..... | 52 | 1920 | 301 | 5.79 | 549 | .265 | 67 | 1.29 | 18 | 254 | 8 | 24 | 304 | .894 |
| Ward..... | Providence..... | 36 | 1316 | 187 | 5.19 | 320 | .243 | 66 | 1.55 | 26 | 194 | 6 | 29 | 295 | .862 |
| Welch..... | Troy City..... | 39 | 1411 | 180 | 4.61 | 357 | .263 | 78 | 2.00 | 20 | 140 | 7 | 13 | 180 | .883 |
| Whitney..... | Boston..... | 63 | 2237 | 293 | 4.65 | 548 | .242 | 96 | 1.52 | 19 | 256 | 28 | 39 | 342 | .804 |

BATTING AND FIELDING

Record of Clubs, Members of the National League of Professional B. B. Clubs.

SEASON OF 1881

LEAGUE CLUB AVERAGES.

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| Rank. | NAME OF CLUB. | BATTING. | | | | | | | FIELDING. | | | | | | | |
|-------|------------------|---------------|------------|---------------|--------------|-------------------|--------------|--|--------------|-------------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------|------------------------------------|
| | | Games Played. | Games Won. | Times at Bat. | Runs Scored. | Average per Game. | First Bases. | Percentage of Bases Hits per times at Bat. | Total Bases. | Average per Game. | Number Put Out. | Times Assisting. | Fielding Errors. | Passed Balls and Wild Pitches. | Total Chances. | Percentage of Chances Accepted. |
| 1 | Chicago | 84 | 56 | 3114 | 550 | 6.54 | 938 | .298 | 1190 | 14.16 | 2225 | 1368 | 311 | 114 | 4028 | 894 |
| 2 | Providence | 84 | 47 | 3042 | 439 | 5.22 | 770 | .253 | 1017 | 12.10 | 2263 | 1329 | 384 | 132 | 4108 | 874 |
| 3 | Buffalo | 83 | 45 | 3034 | 440 | 5.30 | 799 | .263 | 1079 | 13.00 | 2214 | 1305 | 404 | 142 | 4065 | 865 |
| 4 | Detroit | 84 | 41 | 2995 | 439 | 5.22 | 780 | .260 | 1063 | 12.65 | 2256 | 1302 | 343 | 81 | 3952 | 892 |
| 5 | Troy City | 84 | 39 | 3001 | 393 | 4.61 | 743 | .247 | 944 | 11.23 | 2268 | 1295 | 305 | 83 | 3951 | 901 |
| 6 | Boston | 83 | 38 | 2916 | 349 | 4.20 | 733 | .251 | 917 | 11.04 | 2200 | 1243 | 336 | 197 | 3976 | 866 |
| 7 | Cleveland | 84 | 36 | 3070 | 386 | 4.59 | 786 | .256 | 1003 | 11.94 | 2245 | 1233 | 343 | 194 | 3945 | 881 |
| 8 | Worcester | 82 | 32 | 3053 | 402 | 4.90 | 768 | .251 | 967 | 11.79 | 2171 | 1271 | 346 | 114 | 3902 | 882 |
| | Total | 668 | 334 | 24225 | 3398 | 5.08 | 6307 | .260 | 8180 | 12.24 | 17822 | 10347 | 2772 | 987 | 31927 | 882 |

RECORD OF CHAMPIONSHIP GAMES PLAYED

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SEASON OF 1881.

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| | | | | | Winning Club. | Losing Club. |
| 1 | April 30 | Chicago vs. Cleveland... | Chicago.... | Chicago.... | 8 | 5 |
| 2 | " 30 | Worcester vs. Troy City. | Worcester.. | Worcester.. | 4 | 0 |
| 3 | May 2 | " " " " " " | " " " " | " " " " | 8 | 5 |
| 4 | " 2 | Detroit vs. Buffalo..... | Detroit | Buffalo..... | 6 | 5 |
| 5 | " 2 | Providence vs. Boston... | Providence .. | Boston | 4 | 2 |
| 6 | " 2 | Chicago vs. Cleveland... | Chicago | Cleveland.. | 3 | 1 |
| 7 | " 3 | " " " " " " | " " " " | Chicago | 6 | 0 |
| 8 | " 3 | Detroit vs. Buffalo..... | Detroit | Detroit | 4 | 2 |
| 9 | " 3 | Worcester vs. Troy City. | Worcester.. | Worcester.. | 10 | 5 |
| 10 | " 3 | Boston vs. Providence... | Boston | Providence .. | 7 | 1 |
| 11 | " 4 | " " " " " " | Providence .. | Boston | 4 | 0 |
| 12 | " 4 | Detroit vs. Buffalo..... | Detroit | Buffalo | 4 | 2 |
| 13 | " 5 | " " " " " " | Buffalo | " " " " | 8 | 1 |
| 14 | " 5 | Boston vs. Providence... | Boston | Providence .. | 4 | 2 |
| 15 | " 5 | Worcester vs. Troy City. | Troy | Worcester.. | 3 | 2 |
| 16 | " 6 | Cleveland vs. Chicago... | Cleveland.. | Cleveland.. | 7 | 2 |
| 17 | " 6 | Buffalo vs. Detroit..... | Buffalo | Buffalo | 3 | 2 |
| 18 | " 7 | " " " " " " | " " " " | " " " " | 6 | 1 |
| 19 | " 7 | Worcester vs. Troy City. | Troy | Worcester.. | 8 | 4 |
| 20 | " 7 | Cleveland vs. Chicago... | Cleveland .. | Chicago | 4 | 0 |
| 21 | " 7 | Boston vs. Providence... | Boston | Boston | 4 | 1 |
| 22 | " 9 | Cleveland vs. Chicago... | Cleveland.. | Cleveland.. | 3 | 2 |
| 23 | " 10 | Troy City vs. Chicago... | Chicago | Chicago | 10 | 5 |
| 24 | " 10 | Buffalo vs. Boston..... | Buffalo | Boston | 4 | 0 |
| 25 | " 10 | Detroit vs. Worcester... | Detroit | Worcester.. | 6 | 0 |
| 26 | " 10 | Cleveland vs. Providence | Cleveland .. | Providence .. | 6 | 4 |
| 27 | " 11 | " " " " " " | " " " " | Cleveland .. | 6 | 5 |
| 28 | " 11 | Buffalo vs. Boston..... | Buffalo | Buffalo | 1 | 0 |
| 29 | " 11 | Chicago vs. Troy City... | Chicago | Chicago | 11 | 3 |
| 30 | " 11 | Detroit vs. Worcester... | Detroit | Worcester.. | 5 | 3 |
| 31 | " 12 | " " " " " " | " " " " | " " " " | 10 | 4 |
| 32 | " 12 | Buffalo vs. Boston..... | Buffalo | Boston | 5 | 0 |
| 33 | " 12 | Cleveland vs. Providence | Cleveland.. | Providence .. | 8 | 3 |
| 34 | " 13 | Chicago vs. Troy City... | Chicago | Troy City... | 6 | 5 |
| 35 | " 14 | Buffalo vs. Providence... | Buffalo | Buffalo | 8 | 4 |
| 36 | " 14 | Cleveland vs. Boston..... | Cleveland.. | Boston | 6 | 5 |
| 37 | " 14 | Chicago vs. Worcester... | Chicago | Chicago | 4 | 3 |
| 38 | " 16 | Detroit vs. Troy City... | Detroit | Detroit | 12 | 2 |
| 39 | " 17 | " " " " " " | " " " " | " " " " | 4 | 0 |
| 40 | " 17 | Boston vs. Cleveland.... | Cleveland.. | Boston | 3 | 2 |
| 41 | " 17 | Chicago vs. Worcester... | Chicago | Worcester.. | 7 | 1 |
| 42 | " 18 | " " " " " " | " " " " | Chicago | 10 | 3 |
| 43 | " 18 | Cleveland vs. Boston.... | Cleveland.. | Boston | 3 | 2 |

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| | | | | | Winning Club. | Losing Club. |
| 44 | May 18 | Detroit vs. Troy City.... | Detroit | Troy City.. | 7 | 2 |
| 45 | " 18 | Buffalo vs. Providence... | Buffalo | Providence | 6 | 5 |
| 46 | " 19 | " " " " " " " " " " | " " " " " " " " " " | " " " " " " " " " " | 11 | 5 |
| 47 | " 20 | Buffalo vs. Worcester.... | " " " " " " " " " " | Buffalo..... | 7 | 0 |
| 48 | " 20 | Cleveland vs. Troy City.. | Cleveland.. | Cleveland.. | 7 | 4 |
| 49 | " 20 | Chicago vs. Boston..... | Chicago.... | Chicago.... | 5 | 4 |
| 50 | " 20 | Detroit vs. Providence.. | Detroit..... | Providence | 5 | 4 |
| 51 | " 21 | " " " " " " " " " " | " " " " " " " " " " | Detroit | 16 | 0 |
| 52 | " 21 | Cleveland vs. Troy City.. | Cleveland.. | Cleveland.. | 5 | 3 |
| 53 | " 21 | Chicago vs. Boston..... | Chicago ... | Chicago ... | 4 | 2 |
| 54 | " 21 | Worcester vs. Buffalo.... | Buffalo | Worcester.. | 9 | 6 |
| 55 | " 23 | Detroit vs. Providence.. | Detroit | Detroit | 5 | 2 |
| 56 | " 24 | Buffalo vs. Worcester.... | Buffalo | Buffalo | 3 | 2 |
| 57 | " 24 | Cleveland vs. Troy City.. | Cleveland.. | Troy City.. | 5 | 0 |
| 58 | " 24 | Chicago vs. Boston..... | Chicago.... | Chicago.... | 6 | 4 |
| 59 | " 25 | Chicago vs. Providence.. | " " " " " " " " " " | " " " " " " " " " " | 11 | 6 |
| 60 | " 25 | Cleveland vs. Worcester.. | Cleveland.. | Cleveland.. | 7 | 1 |
| 61 | " 25 | Buffalo vs. Troy City.... | Buffalo | Buffalo | 8 | 2 |
| 62 | " 25 | Detroit vs. Boston..... | Detroit | Detroit | 9 | 0 |
| 63 | " 26 | " " " " " " " " " " | " " " " " " " " " " | " " " " " " " " " " | 4 | 2 |
| 64 | " 26 | Buffalo vs. Troy City.... | Buffalo | Troy City.. | 6 | 3 |
| 65 | " 26 | Cleveland vs. Worcester.. | Cleveland.. | Cleveland.. | 5 | 3 |
| 66 | " 26 | Chicago vs. Providence.. | Chicago.... | Chicago.... | 12 | 5 |
| 67 | " 27 | " " " " " " " " " " | " " " " " " " " " " | Providence | 3 | 2 |
| 68 | " 27 | Detroit vs. Boston..... | Detroit | Detroit | 11 | 2 |
| 69 | " 28 | Cleveland vs. Worcester.. | Cleveland.. | Cleveland.. | 11 | 1 |
| 70 | " 28 | Buffalo vs. Troy City.... | Buffalo | Troy City.. | 5 | 4 |
| 71 | " 30 | Boston vs. Cleveland.... | Boston | Boston | 8 | 4 |
| 72 | " 30 | Worcester vs. Detroit.... | Worcester.. | Worcester.. | 8 | 4 |
| 73 | " 30 | Providence vs. Buffalo... | Providence | Buffalo | 3 | 2 |
| 74 | " 30 | Troy City vs. Chicago ... | Troy..... | Chicago.... | 4 | 3 |
| 75 | June 1 | " " " " " " " " " " | " " " " " " " " " " | Troy City.. | 5 | 4 |
| 76 | " 1 | Boston vs. Cleveland.... | Boston..... | Cleveland.. | 7 | 1 |
| 77 | " 1 | Worcester vs. Detroit.... | Worcester.. | Detroit.... | 10 | 3 |
| 78 | " 1 | Providence vs. Buffalo... | Providence | Providence | 7 | 5 |
| 79 | " 2 | " " " " " " " " " " | " " " " " " " " " " | Buffalo | 8 | 7 |
| 80 | " 2 | Boston vs. Cleveland.... | Boston..... | Cleveland.. | 6 | 1 |
| 81 | " 2 | Troy City vs. Chicago.... | Troy..... | Troy City.. | 2 | 0 |
| 82 | " 2 | Worcester vs. Detroit.... | Worcester.. | Detroit | 6 | 1 |
| 83 | " 4 | Worcester vs. Chicago.... | " " " " " " " " " " | Chicago.... | 6 | 1 |
| 84 | " 4 | Boston vs. Buffalo | Boston..... | Buffalo | 6 | 3 |
| 85 | " 6 | Providence vs. Cleveland | Providence | Cleveland.. | 4 | 0 |
| 86 | " 6 | Troy City vs. Detroit.... | Troy..... | Detroit | 2 | 0 |
| 87 | " 7 | Worcester vs. Chicago.... | Worcester.. | Chicago.... | 13 | 1 |
| 88 | " 7 | Providence vs. Cleveland | Providence | Providence | 3 | 1 |
| 89 | " 7 | Boston vs. Buffalo | Boston..... | Buffalo | 3 | 2 |
| 90 | " 8 | Troy City vs. Detroit.... | Troy..... | Troy City.. | 3 | 0 |
| 91 | " 9 | " " " " " " " " " " | " " " " " " " " " " | Detroit | 1 | 0 |
| 92 | " 9 | Boston vs. Buffalo | Boston..... | Buffalo | 1 | 0 |
| 93 | " 9 | Worcester vs. Chicago.... | Worcester.. | Worcester.. | 7 | 6 |
| 94 | " 9 | Providence vs. Cleveland | Providence | Providence | 6 | 2 |

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| | | | | | Winning Club. | Losing Club. |
| 95 | June 13 | Providence vs. Chicago.. | " | Chicago.... | 12 | 5 |
| 96 | " 13 | Worcester vs. Buffalo.... | Worcester.. | Buffalo.... | 10 | 9 |
| 97 | " 13 | Troy City vs. Cleveland.. | Troy..... | Troy City.. | 3 | 2 |
| 98 | " 13 | Boston vs. Detroit..... | Boston..... | Detroit.... | 2 | 0 |
| 99 | " 14 | " " " " " " | " " " " " " | Boston.... | 10 | 9 |
| 100 | " 15 | " " " " " " | " " " " " " | " " " " " " | 7 | 1 |
| 101 | " 15 | Troy City vs. Cleveland.. | Albany.... | Cleveland.. | 7 | 3 |
| 102 | " 15 | Providence vs. Chicago.. | Providence | Chicago.... | 13 | 1 |
| 103 | " 15 | Worcester vs. Buffalo.... | Worcester.. | Buffalo.... | 4 | 3 |
| 104 | " 16 | " " " " " " | " " " " " " | Worcester.. | 15 | 4 |
| 105 | " 16 | Providence vs. Chicago.. | Providence | Chicago.... | 8 | 4 |
| 106 | " 16 | Troy City vs. Cleveland.. | Troy..... | Troy City.. | 3 | 1 |
| 107 | " 17 | Troy City vs. Buffalo.... | " " " " " " | " " " " " " | 2 | 0 |
| 108 | " 17 | Worcester vs. Cleveland.. | Worcester.. | Worcester.. | 5 | 2 |
| 109 | " 17 | Providence vs. Detroit... | Providence | Providence | 5 | 0 |
| 110 | " 17 | Boston vs. Chicago..... | Boston..... | Boston.... | 6 | 3 |
| 111 | " 18 | " " " " " " | " " " " " " | Chicago.... | 5 | 1 |
| 112 | " 18 | Worcester vs. Cleveland.. | Worcester.. | Worcester.. | 5 | 0 |
| 113 | " 18 | Providence vs. Detroit... | Providence | Detroit.... | 10 | 3 |
| 114 | " 20 | " " " " " " | " " " " " " | " " " " " " | 2 | 1 |
| 115 | " 20 | Troy City vs. Buffalo.... | Troy..... | Troy City.. | 6 | 2 |
| 116 | " 21 | Boston vs. Chicago..... | Boston..... | Chicago.... | 8 | 2 |
| 117 | " 21 | Worcester vs. Cleveland.. | Worcester.. | Worcester.. | 7 | 5 |
| 118 | " 21 | Troy City vs. Buffalo.... | Troy..... | Troy City.. | 8 | 7 |
| 119 | " 24 | Detroit vs. Troy City.... | Detroit.... | " " " " " " | 9 | 8 |
| 120 | " 24 | Buffalo vs. Worcester.... | Buffalo.... | Buffalo.... | 4 | 2 |
| 121 | " 24 | Cleveland vs. Boston.... | Cleveland.. | Boston.... | 4 | 3 |
| 122 | " 24 | Chicago vs. Providence.. | Chicago.... | Chicago.... | 8 | 0 |
| 123 | " 25 | " " " " " " | " " " " " " | " " " " " " | 12 | 8 |
| 124 | " 25 | Buffalo vs. Worcester... | Buffalo.... | Worcester.. | 9 | 4 |
| 125 | " 25 | Cleveland vs. Boston.... | Cleveland.. | Cleveland.. | 6 | 2 |
| 126 | " 27 | " " " " " " | " " " " " " | Boston.... | 10 | 9 |
| 127 | " 27 | Chicago vs. Providence.. | Chicago.... | Chicago.... | 19 | 12 |
| 128 | " 27 | Detroit vs. Troy City.... | Detroit.... | Detroit.... | 8 | 0 |
| 129 | " 28 | " " " " " " | " " " " " " | Troy City.. | 5 | 1 |
| 130 | " 29 | Detroit vs. Providence.. | " " " " " " | Providence | 10 | 5 |
| 131 | " 29 | Buffalo vs. Boston..... | Buffalo.... | Buffalo.... | 16 | 10 |
| 132 | " 29 | Cleveland vs. Worcester.. | Cleveland.. | Cleveland.. | 5 | 3 |
| 133 | " 29 | Chicago vs. Troy City.... | Chicago.... | Chicago.... | 8 | 0 |
| 134 | " 30 | " " " " " " | " " " " " " | " " " " " " | 4 | 2 |
| 135 | " 30 | Cleveland vs. Worcester.. | Cleveland.. | Worcester.. | 6 | 1 |
| 136 | " 30 | Buffalo vs. Boston..... | Buffalo.... | Buffalo.... | 7 | 4 |
| 137 | " 30 | Detroit vs. Providence.. | Detroit.... | Providence | 7 | 3 |
| 138 | July 2 | " " " " " " | " " " " " " | " " " " " " | 7 | 5 |
| 139 | " 2 | Cleveland vs. Worcester.. | Cleveland.. | Cleveland.. | 4 | 0 |
| 140 | " 2 | Chicago vs. Troy City.... | Chicago.... | Chicago.... | 10 | 5 |
| 141 | " 2 | Buffalo vs. Boston..... | Buffalo.... | Buffalo.... | 7 | 4 |
| 142 | " 4 | Cleveland vs. Providence | Cleveland.. | Cleveland.. | 9 | 3 |
| 143 | " 4 | Chicago vs. Boston..... | Chicago.... | Boston.... | 13 | 12 |
| 144 | " 4 | Buffalo vs. Troy City.... | Buffalo.... | Troy City.. | 8 | 3 |
| 145 | " 4 | " " " " " " | " " " " " " | " " " " " " | 12 | 0 |

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| | | | | | Winning Club. | Losing Club. |
| 146 | July | 4 Detroit vs. Worcester... | Detroit ... | Detroit | 11 | 8 |
| 147 | " | 4 " " " " " " " " " " | " " " " " " " " " " | " " " " " " " " " " | 7 | 3 |
| 148 | " | 5 Chicago vs. Boston..... | Chicago.... | Chicago.... | 13 | 11 |
| 149 | " | 5 Cleveland vs. Providence | Cleveland.. | Providence.. | 8 | 4 |
| 150 | " | 6 Buffalo vs. Troy City.... | Buffalo.... | Buffalo.... | 12 | 5 |
| 151 | " | 7 Cleveland vs. Providence | Cleveland.. | Providence.. | 6 | 2 |
| 152 | " | 7 Chicago vs. Boston..... | Chicago.... | Chicago.... | 5 | 4 |
| 153 | " | 7 Detroit vs. Worcester.... | Detroit | Detroit | 7 | 3 |
| 154 | " | 9 Chicago vs. Worcester.... | Chicago.... | Chicago.... | 5 | 0 |
| 155 | " | 9 Buffalo vs. Providence.... | Buffalo.... | Buffalo.... | 15 | 5 |
| 156 | " | 9 Cleveland vs. Troy City.. | Cleveland.. | Cleveland.. | 4 | 2 |
| 157 | " | 9 Detroit vs. Boston | Detroit | Detroit | 12 | 3 |
| 158 | " | 12 Cleveland vs. Troy City.. | Cleveland.. | Troy City.. | 3 | 1 |
| 159 | " | 12 Chicago vs. Worcester.. | Chicago.... | Chicago.... | 12 | 6 |
| 160 | " | 12 Buffalo vs. Providence.... | Buffalo.... | Buffalo.... | 3 | 0 |
| 161 | " | 13 " " " " " " " " " " | " " " " " " " " " " | " " " " " " " " " " | 7 | 5 |
| 162 | " | 13 Chicago vs. Worcester.... | Chicago.... | Chicago.... | 6 | 4 |
| 163 | " | 13 Cleveland vs. Troy City.. | Cleveland.. | Cleveland.. | 3 | 2 |
| 164 | " | 13 Detroit vs. Boston..... | Detroit | Detroit | 8 | 3 |
| 165 | " | 14 " " " " " " " " " " | " " " " " " " " " " | " " " " " " " " " " | 3 | 2 |
| 166 | " | 16 Cleveland vs. Detroit.... | Cleveland.. | Detroit | 8 | 5 |
| 167 | " | 16 Providence vs. Worcester | Providence | Worcester.. | 1 | 0 |
| 168 | " | 16 Troy City vs. Boston..... | Troy..... | Troy City.. | 11 | 4 |
| 169 | " | 16 Buffalo vs. Chicago..... | Buffalo.... | Buffalo.... | 10 | 9 |
| 170 | " | 18 Troy City vs. Boston..... | Troy..... | Troy City.. | 3 | 1 |
| 171 | " | 19 Worcester vs. Providence | Worcester.. | Worcester.. | 6 | 3 |
| 172 | " | 19 Cleveland vs. Detroit.... | Cleveland.. | Cleveland.. | 5 | 2 |
| 173 | " | 19 Buffalo vs. Chicago..... | Buffalo.... | Buffalo.... | 8 | 7 |
| 174 | " | 20 " " " " " " " " " " | " " " " " " " " " " | " " " " " " " " " " | 11 | 7 |
| 175 | " | 20 Cleveland vs. Detroit.... | Cleveland.. | Detroit | 8 | 3 |
| 176 | " | 20 Troy City vs. Boston | Troy..... | Boston..... | 4 | 2 |
| 177 | " | 20 Providence vs. Worcester | Providence | Worcester.. | 5 | 0 |
| 178 | " | 22 Troy City vs. Providence | Troy..... | Troy City.. | 5 | 4 |
| 179 | " | 22 Buffalo vs. Cleveland.... | Buffalo.... | Cleveland.. | 6 | 4 |
| 180 | " | 22 Worcester vs. Boston..... | Worcester.. | Boston..... | 4 | 3 |
| 181 | " | 22 Detroit vs. Chicago..... | Detroit | Detroit | 6 | 4 |
| 182 | " | 23 " " " " " " " " " " | " " " " " " " " " " | " " " " " " " " " " | 3 | 2 |
| 183 | " | 23 Boston vs. Worcester ... | Boston..... | Boston.... | 1 | 0 |
| 184 | " | 23 Buffalo vs. Cleveland.... | Buffalo.... | Cleveland.. | 7 | 3 |
| 185 | " | 25 Troy City vs. Providence | Troy..... | Providence | 5 | 3 |
| 186 | " | 26 " " " " " " " " " " | " " " " " " " " " " | " " " " " " " " " " | 11 | 4 |
| 187 | " | 26 Detroit vs. Chicago..... | Detroit | Chicago.... | 9 | 4 |
| 188 | " | 26 Worcester vs. Boston..... | Worcester.. | Worcester.. | 9 | 6 |
| 189 | " | 28 Worcester vs. Providence | " " " " " " " " " " | Providence | 5 | 0 |
| 190 | " | 28 Boston vs. Troy City | Boston | Boston..... | 4 | 3 |
| 191 | " | 28 Chicago vs. Cleveland.... | Chicago.... | Cleveland.. | 11 | 2 |
| 192 | " | 28 Detroit vs. Buffalo..... | Detroit | Buffalo.... | 15 | 4 |
| 193 | " | 29 " " " " " " " " " " | " " " " " " " " " " | " " " " " " " " " " | 9 | 3 |
| 194 | " | 29 Boston vs. Troy City.... | Boston..... | Boston.... | 10 | 3 |
| 195 | " | 29 Providence vs. Worcester | Providence | Providence | 9 | 6 |
| 196 | " | 29 Chicago vs. Cleveland.... | Chicago.... | Cleveland.. | 6 | 3 |

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| | | | | | Winning Club. | Losing Club. |
| 197 | July | 30 Chicago vs. Cleveland... | Chicago... | Chicago... | 7 | 6 |
| 198 | " | 30 Worcester vs. Providence | Worcester.. | Providence | 3 | 2 |
| 199 | " | 30 Detroit vs. Buffalo..... | Detroit.... | Detroit.... | 7 | 6 |
| 200 | " | 30 Boston vs. Troy City... | Boston..... | Boston..... | 4 | 0 |
| 201 | Aug. | 2 Providence vs. Troy City | Providence | Providence | 2 | 1 |
| 202 | " | 2 Chicago vs. Buffalo..... | Chicago.... | Chicago.... | 11 | 2 |
| 203 | " | 2 Detroit vs. Cleveland... | Detroit.... | Detroit.... | 13 | 11 |
| 204 | " | 3 Boston vs. Worcester.... | Boston..... | Boston..... | 9 | 5 |
| 205 | " | 3 Providence vs. Troy City | Providence | Troy City.. | 5 | 0 |
| 206 | " | 4 " " " " | " | " | 2 | 0 |
| 207 | " | 4 Worcester vs. Boston.... | Worcester.. | Boston... | 8 | 3 |
| 208 | " | 4 Chicago vs. Buffalo..... | Chicago.... | Chicago.... | 4 | 0 |
| 209 | " | 4 Detroit vs. Cleveland.... | Detroit.... | Detroit.... | 6 | 5 |
| 210 | " | 6 " " " " | " | Cleveland.. | 10 | 3 |
| 211 | " | 6 Boston vs. Worcester... | Boston..... | Boston... | 7 | 2 |
| 212 | " | 6 Providence vs. Troy City | Providence | Providence | 7 | 3 |
| 213 | " | 6 Chicago vs. Buffalo..... | Chicago.... | Chicago.... | 3 | 0 |
| 214 | " | 8 Providence vs. Boston... | Providence | Boston... | 7 | 3 |
| 215 | " | 9 Chicago vs. Detroit.... | Chicago.... | Chicago.... | 5 | 3 |
| 216 | " | 9 Cleveland vs. Buffalo.... | Cleveland.. | Buffalo.... | 5 | 4 |
| 217 | " | 9 Worcester vs. Troy City.. | Worcester.. | Troy City.. | 7 | 6 |
| 218 | " | 10 " " " " | " | Worcester.. | 8 | 4 |
| 219 | " | 10 Providence vs. Boston... | Providence | Boston.... | 9 | 5 |
| 220 | " | 11 Boston vs. Providence... | Boston..... | Providence | 12 | 6 |
| 221 | " | 11 Chicago vs. Detroit.... | Chicago.... | Chicago.... | 17 | 0 |
| 222 | " | 11 Cleveland vs. Buffalo.... | Cleveland.. | Buffalo.... | 8 | 7 |
| 223 | " | 13 " " " " | " | " | 8 | 6 |
| 224 | " | 13 Worcester vs. Troy City | Worcester.. | Worcester.. | 13 | 9 |
| 225 | " | 13 Providence vs. Boston... | Providence | Providence | 1 | 0 |
| 226 | " | 13 Chicago vs. Detroit.... | Chicago.... | Detroit.... | 2 | 0 |
| 227 | " | 15 Boston vs. Troy City.... | Boston..... | Boston.... | 5 | 2 |
| 228 | " | 16 " " " " | " | Troy City.. | 12 | 5 |
| 229 | " | 16 Providence vs. Worcester | Providence | Providence | 7 | 2 |
| 230 | " | 16 Cleveland vs. Detroit.... | Cleveland.. | Cleveland.. | 8 | 5 |
| 231 | " | 16 Chicago vs. Buffalo..... | Chicago.... | Chicago.... | 13 | 9 |
| 232 | " | 17 " " " " | " | " | 5 | 1 |
| 233 | " | 17 Cleveland vs. Detroit.... | Cleveland.. | Cleveland.. | 6 | 5 |
| 234 | " | 17 Boston vs. Troy City.... | Boston..... | Boston... | 1 | 0 |
| 235 | " | 17 Worcester vs. Providence | Worcester.. | Providence | 6 | 4 |
| 236 | " | 18 Cleveland vs. Detroit.... | Cleveland.. | Detroit.... | 3 | 0 |
| 237 | " | 18 Chicago vs. Buffalo..... | Chicago.... | Buffalo.... | 7 | 6 |
| 238 | " | 18 Chicago vs. Detroit.... | " | Chicago.... | 10 | 3 |
| 239 | " | 20 Cleveland vs. Buffalo.... | Cleveland.. | Cleveland.. | 9 | 4 |
| 240 | " | 20 Providence vs. Troy City | Providence | Troy City.. | 9 | 6 |
| 241 | " | 20 Worcester vs. Boston... | Worcester.. | Worcester.. | 6 | 1 |
| 242 | " | 22 Providence vs. Troy City | Providence | Providence | 8 | 6 |
| 243 | " | 23 Chicago vs. Detroit.... | Chicago.... | Chicago.... | 8 | 6 |
| 244 | " | 23 Worcester vs. Boston.... | Worcester.. | Boston.... | 8 | 4 |
| 245 | " | 23 Cleveland vs. Buffalo.... | Cleveland.. | Buffalo.... | 2 | 0 |
| 246 | " | 24 Worcester vs. Boston... | Worcester.. | Boston.... | 12 | 2 |
| 247 | " | 25 Chicago vs. Detroit.... | Chicago.... | Detroit.... | 7 | 5 |

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| | | | | | Winning Club. | Losing Club. |
| 248 | Aug. | 25 Cleveland vs. Buffalo.... | Cleveland.. | Cleveland.. | 5 | 3 |
| 249 | " | 27 Providence vs. Worcester | Providence | Providence | 3 | 1 |
| 250 | " | 27 Buffalo vs. Cleveland.... | Buffalo..... | Buffalo..... | 5 | 4 |
| 251 | " | 27 Detroit vs. Chicago..... | Detroit..... | Detroit..... | 9 | 1 |
| 252 | " | 29 Troy City vs. Boston..... | Troy..... | Troy City.. | 5 | 4 |
| 253 | " | 29 Providence vs. Worcester | Providence | Providence | 12 | 0 |
| 254 | " | 29 Buffalo vs. Cleveland.... | Buffalo..... | Buffalo | 6 | 3 |
| 255 | " | 30 " " " " " " " " " " | " " " " " " " " " " | " " " " " " " " " " | 7 | 5 |
| 256 | " | 30 Troy City vs. Boston..... | Troy..... | Troy City.. | 9 | 2 |
| 257 | " | 30 Providence vs. Worcester | Providence | Providence | 10 | 3 |
| 258 | " | 30 Detroit vs. Chicago..... | Detroit..... | Chicago.. | 12 | 8 |
| 259 | " | 31 " " " " " " " " " " | " " " " " " " " " " | " " " " " " " " " " | 10 | 3 |
| 260 | " | 31 Providence vs. Worcester | Providence | Providence | 12 | 7 |
| 261 | " | 31 Troy City vs. Boston..... | Troy..... | Boston..... | 12 | 6 |
| 262 | " | 31 Buffalo vs. Cleveland.... | Buffalo..... | Buffalo..... | 8 | 5 |
| 263 | Sept. | 2 Buffalo vs. Detroit..... | " " " " " " " " " " | " " " " " " " " " " | 14 | 6 |
| 264 | " | 2 Cleveland vs. Chicago.... | Cleveland.. | Cleveland.. | 4 | 1 |
| 265 | " | 2 Troy City vs. Providence. | Troy..... | Troy City.. | 4 | 3 |
| 266 | " | 3 Boston vs. Worcester.... | Boston..... | Boston .. | 3 | 2 |
| 267 | " | 3 Troy City vs. Providence | Troy..... | Providence | 11 | 1 |
| 268 | " | 3 Cleveland vs. Chicago.... | Cleveland.. | Chicago ... | 4 | 2 |
| 269 | " | 3 Buffalo vs. Detroit | Buffalo..... | Buffalo.... | 5 | 3 |
| 270 | " | 5 " " " " " " " " " " | " " " " " " " " " " | " " " " " " " " " " | 6 | 3 |
| 271 | " | 5 Boston vs. Worcester.... | Boston..... | Worcester.. | 9 | 2 |
| 272 | " | 5 Troy City vs. Providence | Troy..... | Troy City.. | 6 | 3 |
| 273 | " | 5 Cleveland vs. Chicago.... | Cleveland.. | Chicago.... | 14 | 8 |
| 274 | " | 7 Boston vs. Providence.... | Boston .. | Providence | 5 | 3 |
| 275 | " | 7 Troy City vs. Worcester. | Troy..... | Troy City.. | 14 | 5 |
| 276 | " | 7 Detroit vs. Cleveland.... | Detroit..... | Detroit.... | 5 | 2 |
| 277 | " | 8 " " " " " " " " " " | " " " " " " " " " " | " " " " " " " " " " | 5 | 3 |
| 278 | " | 8 Providence vs. Boston... | Providence | Providence | 7 | 0 |
| 279 | " | 8 Troy City vs. Worcester. | Troy..... | Troy City.. | 12 | 5 |
| 280 | " | 8 Buffalo vs. Chicago..... | Buffalo..... | Buffalo.... | 10 | 1 |
| 281 | " | 9 " " " " " " " " " " | " " " " " " " " " " | " " " " " " " " " " | 4 | 1 |
| 282 | " | 9 Troy City vs. Worcester. | Troy..... | Worcester.. | 7 | 4 |
| 283 | " | 9 Detroit vs. Cleveland. ... | Detroit..... | Detroit .. | 6 | 4 |
| 284 | " | 10 Troy City vs. Worcester.. | Albany..... | Troy City.. | 8 | 7 |
| 285 | " | 10 Boston vs. Providence.... | Boston..... | Providence | 8 | 0 |
| 286 | " | 10 Buffalo vs. Chicago..... | Buffalo..... | Chicago ... | 11 | 1 |
| 287 | " | 13 Boston vs. Chicago..... | Boston .. | " " " " " " " " " " | 3 | 1 |
| 288 | " | 13 Worcester vs. Buffalo.... | Worcester. | Worcester. | 10 | 8 |
| 289 | " | 13 Providence vs. Detroit... | Providence. | Providence | 6 | 5 |
| 290 | " | 13 Troy City vs. Cleveland.. | Troy..... | Troy City.. | 7 | 3 |
| 291 | " | 14 " " " " " " " " " " | " " " " " " " " " " | " " " " " " " " " " | 8 | 0 |
| 292 | " | 14 Boston vs. Chicago..... | Boston..... | Chicago.... | 4 | 3 |
| 293 | " | 14 Providence vs. Detroit .. | Providence | Providence | 4 | 1 |
| 294 | " | 14 Worcester vs. Buffalo.... | Worcester. | Buffalo | 2 | 1 |
| 295 | " | 15 " " " " " " " " " " | " " " " " " " " " " | " " " " " " " " " " | 7 | 6 |
| 296 | " | 15 Providence vs. Detroit... | Providence | Providence | 12 | 8 |
| 297 | " | 16 Boston vs. Chicago..... | Boston .. | Chicago.. | 4 | 0 |
| 298 | " | 16 Troy City vs. Cleveland.. | Troy..... | Cleveland.. | 10 | 7 |

RECORD OF CHAMPIONSHIP GAMES—Continued.

| No. of Games Played. | DATE, 1881. | NAMES OF CONTESTANTS. | WHERE PLAYED. | WINNING CLUB. | RUNS SCORED. | |
|----------------------|-------------|----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|---------------|--------------|
| | | | | | Winning Club. | Losing Club. |
| 299 | Sept. 17 | Providence vs. Chicago.. | Providence | Providence | 3 | 1 |
| 300 | " 17 | Boston vs. Detroit..... | Boston.... | Boston.... | 6 | 4 |
| 301 | " 17 | Worcester vs. Cleveland | Worcester.. | Worcester.. | 7 | 2 |
| 302 | " 19 | Troy City vs. Buffalo.... | Troy..... | Troy City.. | 7 | 5 |
| 303 | " 20 | " " " " " " " " | " " " " " " " " | " " " " " " " " | 17 | 5 |
| 304 | " 20 | Boston vs. Detroit..... | Boston | Detroit ... | 8 | 1 |
| 305 | " 20 | " " " " " " " " | " " " " " " " " | " " " " " " " " | 9 | 4 |
| 306 | " 20 | Worcester vs. Cleveland. | Worcester.. | Cleveland . | 6 | 5 |
| 307 | " 21 | " " " " " " " " | " " " " " " " " | " " " " " " " " | 11 | 4 |
| 308 | " 21 | Providence vs. Chicago. | Providence | Providence | 8 | 5 |
| 309 | " 21 | Troy City vs. Buffalo.... | Troy..... | Buffalo | 10 | 4 |
| 310 | " 22 | Providence vs. Chicago. | Providence | Chicago | 2 | 1 |
| 311 | " 23 | Providence vs. Cleveland | " " " " " " " " | Providence | 8 | 4 |
| 312 | " 23 | Troy City vs. Chicago.... | Troy..... | Chicago ... | 3 | 2 |
| 313 | " 23 | Worcester vs. Detroit.... | Worcester.. | Worcester.. | 12 | 6 |
| 314 | " 23 | Boston vs. Buffalo..... | Boston | Boston.... | 4 | 3 |
| 315 | " 24 | " " " " " " " " | " " " " " " " " | " " " " " " " " | 5 | 2 |
| 316 | " 24 | Worcester vs. Detroit.... | Worcester. | Detroit | 8 | 3 |
| 317 | " 24 | Providence vs. Cleveland | Providence | Providence | 12 | 10 |
| 318 | " 26 | Troy City vs. Chicago.... | Troy..... | Troy City.. | 8 | 1 |
| 319 | " 27 | Boston vs. Buffalo..... | Boston | Buffalo | 3 | 2 |
| 320 | " 27 | Providence vs. Cleveland | Providence | Providence | 6 | 0 |
| 321 | " 27 | Worcester vs. Detroit.... | Worcester.. | Detroit | 11 | 6 |
| 322 | " 27 | Troy City vs. Chicago.... | Troy..... | Chicago | 10 | 8 |
| 323 | " 28 | Troy City vs. Detroit.... | " " " " " " " " | Troy City.. | 4 | 2 |
| 324 | " 28 | Boston vs. Cleveland.... | Boston | Boston | 10 | 3 |
| 325 | " 28 | Providence vs. Buffalo.... | Providence | Buffalo | 7 | 3 |
| 326 | " 28 | Worcester vs. Chicago.... | Worcester.. | Chicago | 7 | 6 |
| 327 | " 29 | " " " " " " " " | " " " " " " " " | Worcester.. | 12 | 4 |
| 328 | " 29 | Boston vs. Cleveland.... | Boston.... | Cleveland . | 4 | 3 |
| 329 | " 29 | Troy City vs. Detroit.... | Troy..... | Detroit | 4 | 3 |
| 330 | " 29 | Buffalo vs. Providence.... | Providence | Buffalo | 9 | 3 |
| 331 | " 30 | " " " " " " " " | " " " " " " " " | Providence | 10 | 1 |
| 332 | " 30 | Troy City vs. Detroit.... | Troy..... | Detroit | 7 | 0 |
| 333 | " 30 | Worcester vs. Chicago.... | Worcester.. | Chicago | 11 | 4 |
| 334 | " 30 | Boston vs. Cleveland | Boston | Boston.... | 6 | 3 |
| Total | | | | | 351 | 1047 |

Total Number of Runs Scored, 3,398.

RUNS SCORED BY CLUBS.

| | | | |
|-----------------|-----|------------|-----|
| Chicago..... | 550 | Opponents, | 379 |
| Providence..... | 439 | " | 418 |
| Buffalo..... | 440 | " | 447 |
| Detroit..... | 439 | " | 429 |
| Troy City..... | 393 | " | 423 |
| Boston..... | 349 | " | 410 |
| Cleveland..... | 386 | " | 408 |
| Worcester..... | 402 | " | 484 |
| 3398 | | 3398 | |

Average number of runs scored per game by winning clubs.....7.03
 Average number of runs scored per game by losing clubs.....3.13

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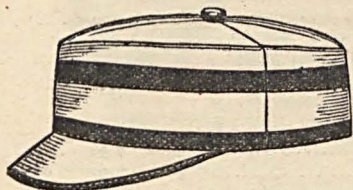
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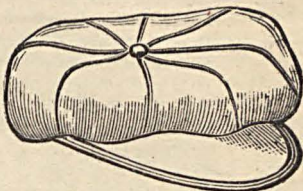
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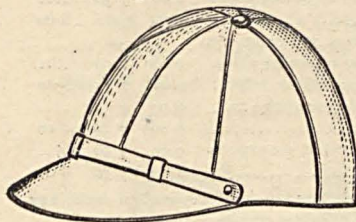
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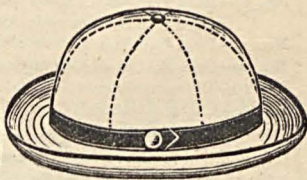
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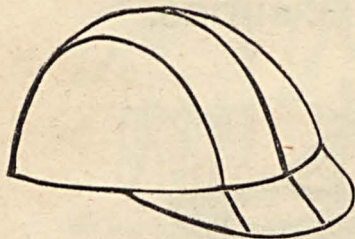
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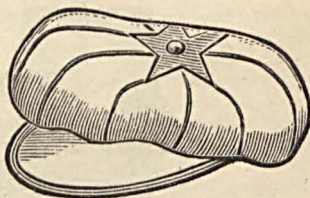
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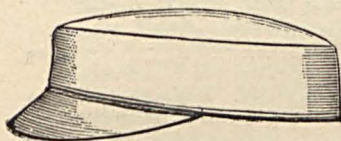
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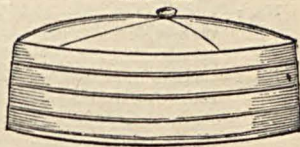
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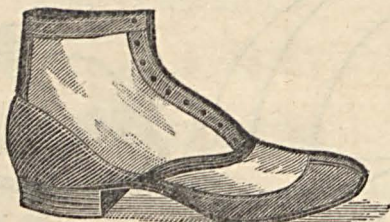
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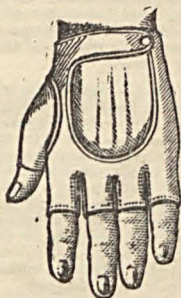
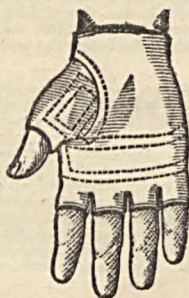
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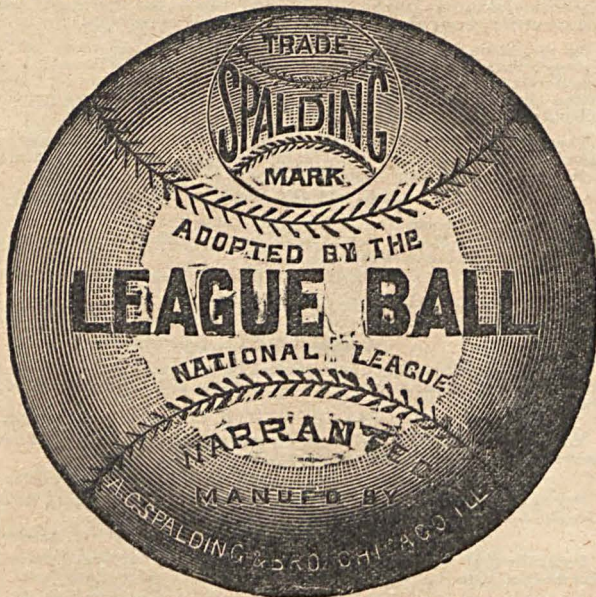
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